





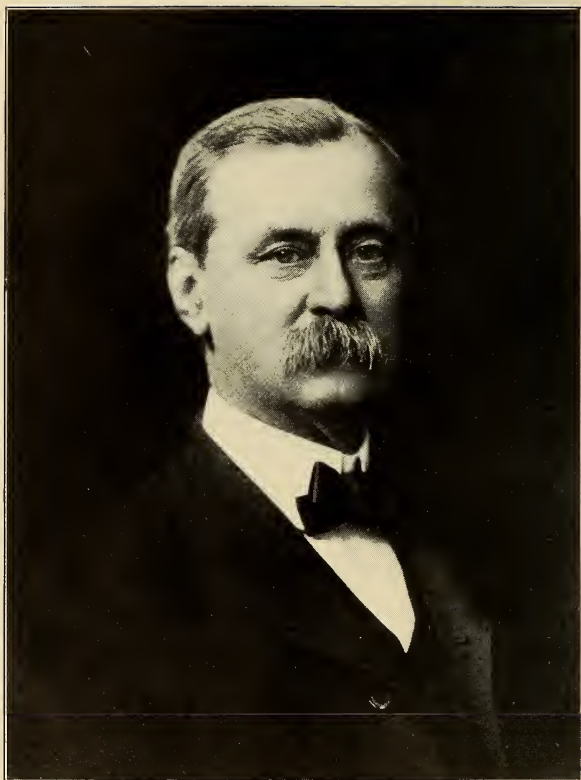
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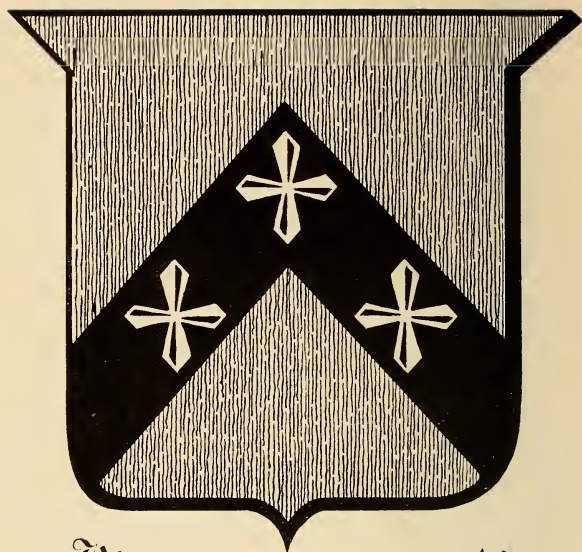
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Virtus Sole in Victa.

VERMONT HERALDRY: Pages 121-122. EYRE, AYRES,
AVERS, EVERS, &c.

George Eyer of Keveton, County Nottingham, England, came over to New Jersey in 1727 and settled there. He was the Great Grandson of Sir Gervaise Eyre of Newbold, Co. Derby, and Keveton, Co. Nottingham, a direct descendant of Baron William Eyre of Hope, Co. Derby. (tempo Henry III.) There is another family of Eyres, whose Founder in America, John Eyre came over in 1718. There is extant, a letter of his, with a seal reproducing the following devises: ARMS: "Argent, a chevron, ermine between three escalops Gules." CREST: "A demi-lion, rampant." These arms are attributed by Burke to the Eyres of County Norfolk, a family in no way connected with the Ancient family of County Derby.



CREST: On a Cap of maintenance, proper, a booted and armed leg, couped at the thigh, quarterly, Argent and Sabre, Spur on.

MOTTO: Virtus Sole in Victa. (Virtue alone unconquerable.)

PENNSYLVANIA MAGAZINE, III., 1879. SMITH'S HISTORY OF DELAWARE CO., PA., 462. Sir Bernard Burke, The General Armory of England, etc., 1884. The book of Family Crests, II, 169.

GENEALOGY OF THE AYRES FAMILY OF FAIRFIELD
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History of Treman, Tremaine, Truman Family.

Vol. I, Page 973. This family name had a curious name as is attested by ancient legend and chronicle. It came from no less a personage than WILLIAM, the Conqueror of England. There was a battle raging, and William had a good many of them in which he took a personal hand himself. In this one some mailed warrior hit him a blow on his helmet and crushed it on his head and gave him great pain. His assailants were driven off and the first of his attendants to reach his side, quickly loosened his helmet, and relieved him of the cruel pressure of iron. William asked his name. "Truelove," was the reply. "Thou shalt be from Truelove called EYER," said William, "for thou hast given me to breathe the pure air of heaven."

Vol. I, Page 1029. The name and its synonyms: Ayres-Ayer-Ayre-Eyre-Eyer-etc., is not uncommon. It is found dating back to the 11th century. The legend concerning its origin is found in *Thorp's Catalogue of the Deeds of Battle Abbey*.

Legend: The first of the family was named Truelove, who was one of the followers of William the Conqueror at the Battle of Hastings (1066). The Duke was flung from his horse and his helmet was beaten into his face, which "Truelove" observing, he pulled it off and horsed him again. Duke William told him, "Thou shalt hereafter instead of Truelove be called Eyre (or Air) because thou hast given me the air I breathe." After the battle the Duke found him severely wounded, his leg and thigh having been struck off. He gave him lands in Derby, and a Coat of Arms—the leg and thigh in armor cut-off, and an honorary badge yet worn by all the Ayres, Eyres, in England.

Arms: Argent on a chevron sable three quarter foils, or,
Crest: An Armored leg couped at thigh erect per pole.

Motto: Lacte aere Florent.

In Vol. X, 1st Series of Notes and Queries, is the following taken from *Rhodes' Peak, Scenery*, page 244. The Eyres (Ayres) is one of the oldest families in Derbyshire, where they have continued to reside more than seven hundred years, as appears from the following curious extract from an old pedigree which is preserved at Hassop, (here follows the preceding matter down to the word Derby when follows) "and the seat he lived at he called 'Hope,' because he had hope in the greatest extremity," &c., &c. See page 1170, Vol. II, for members of the family that have attained distinction.

Genealogical Gleanings in England, WATERS,
N. H. Pub. Lib.

Page 79. Will of Richard Crouch, Parish of St. Giles, Oct. 27, 1660, without Cripplegate, London. "To ——— my sister Elizabeth Ayres, wife of Richard Ayres."

Page 423-4. Will of Wm. Whittingham, late of Boston, Mass., March 25, 1672, proved April 15, 1672. "Together with the Annuity due Mistress Martha Eyre."

Page 1059. "Cary," Elizabeth seems to have married Sir Charles Eyre, now Lady Elizabeth Eyre.

Hereditary Titles of Honour, by EDWARD SOLLY,
London, 1890.

Page 9. Viscount Ayr, (Stuart family name) merged in Dumfrees and in Bute 1803.

Whittaker's Peerage, N. H. Pub. Lib.

Page 228. Eyre 2nd Count, (Conte Papal States 1844.) Most Rev. Charles Peter Eyre, R. C., Archbishop of Glasgow, was Chamberlain to Pope Gregory XVI and Domestic Prelate to Pius IX, son of 1st Count, born 1817, succeeded 1880. Heir present, his brother Thomas Joseph,

born 1821. No known 2nd heir. Resides 6 Bowmont Gardens.

Eyre, Lady Alice, sister of 4th Earl of Mahmsbury, (which see.)

Eyre, Lady Anne Jane, 4th Earl of Wicklow, (which see.)

Lady Evelyn Alice, daughter of 3rd Earle Howe, (which see.)

Eyre, Col. Edmund Henry, C. B. (Mil. 1894) I. S. C. Zhob Valley, 1884. Burmah, 1885-7. Was Q. M. G., Madras, 1890-5. Born 1838.

Eyre, Col. Henry C. B., (Civ. 1887) V. D. Crimea and Mutiny. D. L. for Notts (High Sheriff, 1873) and M. P. 1886-92. A Knight of Pius IX;—son of 1st Count, born 1817, succeeded 1880. Heir present his brother, Thomas Joseph, born 1821. No known 2nd heir. Resides No. 6 Bowman Gardens.

Grace St. John Jerus, born 1834. Resides Rampton Manor, Bedford Notts, 74 Carlisle Mansions, Victoria St., S. W.

N. E. G. & B. Register, Vol. XXXVIII.

Richard Ayres, mentioned in the will of Thomas Ayres, of the Parish of Froome, in County of Somerset, January 14, 1638.

Vol. XXIII, pages 152-153. Weddings at St. Mary, White Chapel, London, 1615 to 1625. "Joane Ayres, Aug. 11, 1625." "Jane Ayres, Aug. 11, 1625."

Genealogy of New Hampshire, STEARNS, in N. H.

Pub. L.

Page 152. The records of Essex County, Mass., have frequent mention of this name under many forms, viz., Ayres, Eyre, Eyres, &c., &c. The ancestor of most of the name in New England, and the earliest one who lived in Essex County was John Ayer. It is supposed that he came from England, and was living in Salisbury, Mass., as

early as 1640. He removed to Ipswich in 1646, and in the next year to Haverill, and died there March 31, 1657. His will was made March 12, 1657, and probated Oct. 6th, following. He was survived by his wife Hannah, the mother of his children, who died Oct. 8, 1688, having been a widow for more than thirty years.

Cornet John, fourth son of John and Hannah, was born about 1633, perhaps in England, was made a freeman in Haverill about 1666. He was a farmer in that town which he represented in the General Court in 1683-1685-1689-1690.

Dictionary of National Biography, Vol. II, Page 291,
N. H. Pub. Lib.

✓ Ayres, John, (Flourished 1680-1700) an eminent English penman, was of very humble origin, but date and place of his birth are unknown. Coming up from the country a poor lad he became footman to Mr. Wm. Ashurst, Alderman of London, then resident at Hornsey, who was knighted in 1689, and Lord Mayor of London in 1693-4. He set up as a teacher of writing and accounts. His income from scholars was nearly 800 pounds, (\$4000.00) a year. Published many Scholastic works, &c., &c.

Page 292. Ayres, Philip. (1638-1712) Author of many books. He was born at Cottingham, and educated at Westminster and St. John's College, Oxford. He became tutor in the family of Montague Garrard Drake, of Admon-desham, Bucks, and lived in the family till his death, Dec. 1, 1712.

Vol. I, page 56. *N. E. H. & G. Reg.*, says: Richard H. Ayer, res. Manchester, b Concord, Sheriff 1823 to 1828 inc.; Senator 1818 to 1823; Rep. from Hooksett several years; Counsellor Merimack Co., N. H.

Vol. VII, page 195, says: Hon'l Richard H. Ayer, Manchester, N. H., d Feby. 5, 1853, aged 75, b Jany. 12, 1778, at Concord, N. H. Grandson of Samuel A., son of Richard, m Susannah, gr-dau. of Rev. Christopher Sargent of Methuen.

Vol. XVIII, page 359. Hon'l Richard Hazen Ayer was eulogized by Rev. A. B. Fuller, Feby. 18, 1853, in the Unitarian Church, Boston.

Vol. XV, page 57. We now come to more recent immigrants. June 20, 1693, Philip Ayres, mariner made his will, being about going on a voyage, probably in the Ketch Prosperous, of which he had just bought a quarter, and left his property to the children of his brother, John Ayres, of Jersey, and his brother, Thomas A., of the same Island.

Bouton's History of Concord, N. H., Page 631.

Richard Ayer (see biography, page 1 of his memorandum) who appears to be the first permanent settler and resident in Concord of the name (Richard), married Susannah Sargent of Methuen. Their children were eleven in number.

History of Rye, N. Y., by BAIRD, N. Y. Pub. Library.
Page 166.

Dr. Worden practiced in Rye about 1738. One Margaret Stringham, (daughter of Peter Stringham) after some months, attendance from him, she was removed to Bedford to be conveniently placed where Dr. Ayres, who was to take care of her, may readily attend her, 1742. (Perhaps Dr. Ayres was son of Philip, and grandson of Richard, Senior. J. N. S.)

History of Bedford, N. Y., (Presbyterian) Page 13.

And now a band of Stamford men, (24) twenty four in number, have made their way to this spot, Viz: Richard Ambler, Abraham Ambler, Joseph Theale, Daniel Weed, Eleazer Slawson, John Westcott, Jonathan Pettit, John Cross, John Miller, Nicholas Webster, RICHARD AYRES, Jonas Seeley, Joseph Stevens, Daniel Jones, Thomas Penoyer, John Holmes, Benjamin Stevens, John Green, Sen., David Waterbury, Samuel Weed, Jonathan Kilborn, John Bates, Nathaniel Cross and William Clark.

Richard Ambler lived until 1699. Abraham, his only surviving son, was born Sept., 1642, married Mary Bates, Dec. 25, 1662. Joseph Theale, son of Nicholas of Water-

town, was born Oct. 24, 1640. Daniel and Samuel Weed were sons of Jonas of Watertown. Eleazer Slawson was son of George of Lynn, in 1637. John Westcott, son of Richard of Wethersfield. Nicholas Webster of Stamford had married Sarah, daughter of John Waterbury. RICHARD AYRES was of Stamford. Jonas Seeley, son of Obadiah, and grandson of Robert of Watertown, in 1630. Joseph and Benjamin Stevens, sons of Thomas of Stamford. Thomas Pennoyer, born 1658, son of Robert of Stamford. John Holmes, born in Beverly, Yorkshire, England, died in 1729, aged ninety years. John Green, Senior, was of Stamford in 1657. David Waterbury, son or grandson of John——. Jonathan Kilborn was probably of Wethersfield. John Bates, son of Robert of Wethersfield. William Clark, probably a son of Samuel of Wethersfield, one of the earliest settlers of Stamford.

There is a list of the names of persons within the district of Bedford, Sept. 5, 1698, mss. in the office of Secretary of State, at Albany, N. Y.

Page 70. July 2, 1779. Upon one of these occasions the Meeting House and nearly every dwelling in the village were burned, (*Magazine of American History* Vol. III, Page 685. Nov. 1889.) It is supposed that the records of the church, preserved in the minister's house, were destroyed in this conflagration. Page 66. The records of the Presbytery however show that in spite of these difficulties the Pastor of the Bedford Church was present at its sessions for nine (9) successive years, from 1769 to 1778. Joshua Ambler being an elder yet much of the time lived nearer to Pound Ridge, was advised by the Presbytery to continue where he is.

The Early Germans of New Jersey, by T. F. CHAMBERS,
(1895) in New York Pub. Lib.

Page 244. The name in New England is generally spelled Ayer, in Old England Eyre, in New Jersey Ayres. It is also Eares, Eyer, Eyres, Eires, Ayres, Aaire and Hayers. John of Salisbury, in 1640, removed to Ipswich in 1646,

to Haverhill 1647, where he died, March 31, 1647. Will probated Oct. 6, 1657. He was b about 1596 and probably came from Nottinghamshire, England, in 1637. Had wife Hannah, who died July 13, 1686, and children John, Nathaniel, Hannah, b Dec. 31, 1644, m March 24, 1663, Stephen Webster. Rebecca, Mary, OBADIAH, Robert, Thomas, Peter.

OBADIAH, son of John in Newbury, Mass., 1663, probably died in Woodbridge, N. J., Nov. 14, 1694, whither he had removed and where he had a tract surveyed to him in 1669, and was a juryman in the first court in Woodbury township.

Obadiah Hoits was one of six Schepens in a Council of war at Fort William Hendrick, Aug. 24, 1673. Obadiah Hayers, a constable, Jany. 1686. Obadiah, Sen., on the records of the Court, April 11, 1694. Woodbridge was settled by people from Newbury, Haverhill and Yarmouth, Mass., as early as 1665. Obadiah m Hannah Pike, daughter of John, March 19, 1660, died Woodbridge, May 30, 1689. Had seven (7) children.

Savage mentions Henry A. Ayres of Portsmouth, R. I., 1655, William of Hartford (?Conn) 1651-9, and Samuel, an apprentice, who came in 1637.

Jonathan Ayres was educated for a surgeon, 1656, says Savage.

Samuel Ayres, Sr., must have been born as early as 1618.

Town of Stamford, Conn., Land Records, Vol. B.

Page 588. No. 324. Richard Ayres, Senr., sells to Richard Ayres, Junr., land by ye Old Field, Dec. 30, 1718.

Page 302. No. 179. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to Jonas Seeley, June 10, 1711.

Page 487. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to Joseph Waterbury, April 12, 1717.

Page 557. No. 310. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to John Selleck, March 25, 1706.

Page 590. No. 325. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to Nathan Ferris, Dec. 30, 1718.

Page 616. No. 337. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to Samuel Wood, Dec. 9, 1717.

Page 740. No. 397. Richard Ayres, Junr., sells to Joseph Bishop, Junr., April 12, 1719.

Page 160. No. 195. Benj. Hait, Sr., sells to Richard Ayres, Senr., this year, 1669. (See copy of this deed. J. N. S.)

Page 91. No. 55. Laid out to Richard Ayres, Senr., and Richard Ayres, Junr., May 11, 1709.

Page 60. No. 41. Samuel Hait, sold to Richard Ayres, Junr., April 5, 1710.

Page 484. No. 273. Nathan Ferris, sold Richard Ayres, Junr., May 2, 1716.

Page 363. No. 211. Thomas Newman, sold Richard Ayres, May 10, 1667.

Page 364. No. 211. Richard Ayres, Senr., sold John Jagger, May 2, 1679.

Page 445. No. 255, Jonathan Jagger, sold Lawrence Ayres, Nov. 30, 1714.

Page 445-446. No. 255. Nathan Ferris, sold Lawrence Ayres, May 25, 1716.

Page 52. Joseph Tompkins, deeds land to Philip Ayres, Jan. 23, 1716.

Page 105. Land laid out to Philip Ayres, April 9, 1721.

Land Records of Stamford, Conn.

Recorded in Book "B" in Town Clerk's Office.

Page 83. (page in pencil) No. 51. Deed from Richard Ayres, Senr., to his son Richard Ayres, Junr., May 11, 1709.

✓ Page 81. No. 50. Layout of Highway by Rev. Mr. Davenport's land, bounded on east by Joseph Lockwood and partly by land now belonging to Richard Ayres, Junr.

Page 84. No. 52. Richard Ayres, Senr., to Lawrence Ayres, (his son) Dec. 20, 1711.

Page 202. No. 121. Bounds of land belonging to Richard Ayres, Senr., confirmed, April 8, 1712.

Page 363. No. 211. Thomas Newman sells to Richard Ayres, (probably Senior) May 10, 1677.

Page 587. No. 324. Richard Ayres, Jr., leases to his Honored Father, Richard Ayres, Senr., during his life certain land, Dec. 30, 1718. See copy of deed.

Page 456. No. 259. Lawrence Ayres sells land to Isaac Weed, Oct. 26, 1716.

Page 696. No. 375. Samuel Weed & John Bell, commissioners on estate of Lawrence Ayres, late deceased, sell to Samuel Weed, 9 acres, July 2, 1720.

Page 620. No. 340. Richard Ayres, Senr., gives to his son-in-law, Samuel Wood, certain land, (in Newfield) Dec. 30, 1718.

RICHARD AYRES, (*History of Stamford*, by Rev. E. B. HUNTINGTON, page 145.)

"The Indians who signed the last surrender, Dec. 23, 1680, were Katonah, and 6 others, and the persons recognized as the occupants or holders of the Tract, then called 'The Hop Grounds,' were Abraham Ambler, Daniel Weed, John Westcott, RICHARD AYRES, and others."

Records of the Town of Bedford, N. Y., in Town Clerk's Office at Mt. Kisco, N. Y.

Births, Deaths, and Marriages. Record Commences Jan. 1, 1847, at Bedford, N. Y.

Page 10, "1684 Record of the land (modn) and Soncs of Richard Ayres, enterd sho one house lot containing three acres more or less, bounded by 1 house lot of John Homs, which was laid out to Eliazon Slasson," &c., &c. Bedford, 3 March, 1690-91, Richard Ayres made entry, &c., &c.

Richard Ayres makes entry &c., Jany. 14, 1700.

Page 120, bound between pages 14 & 15. June 2nd, 1698. Richard Ayres hath eight acres of land laid out by the place called the "Salt Pond" adjoining unto his Amland across that he had of John Brown, that is to say 4 acres on the south side and 4 acres on the rear of said ——— acres as it was laid out by County and entered upon record by me.

Zachariah Roberts,
Recorder.

November 7th, 1698.

Page 119. Stephen Clawson deeds land to Richard Ayres, Jan. 23, 1698-9.

John Brown deeds land to Richard Ayres, May 9, 1691.

Page —, in another Book. Lay out of 36 lots recorded April 12, 1738, according to Zachariah Roberts way of expressing their rights in ye same, "Head Rights."

Richard Ayres, 1, sold to John Dibble.

Book No. 2. Page 52. Jeremiah Andross sold to Richard Ayres, Junr., land as by deed, May 22, 1700.

An outline of the History of the AYRES family from
RICHARD AYRES, Sen., of Stamford, Conn.

I. RICHARD AYRES, Sen., settled in Stamford about 1640. His wife was Mary——, who died Jan. 19, 1715-6. (See Stamford Registration of B. M. D., from first record down to the year 1825, by Rev. E. B. Huntington, on file in Town Clerk's office at Stamford, Conn., also in State Library at Hartford.)

The Children of Richard Ayres, Sen., and Mary, were, (order of birth not known) viz.,

1. Philip, (Richard 1); m Margaret Massman, and resided in Bedford, N. Y.

2. Lawrence, (Richard 1), d 1712. (See Colonial record of Conn., 1717-1775. May 14, 1713. p 77-110-236. This Assembly impowers——to make sale of real estate of Lawrence Ayres, &c., &c.
3. A daughter, m Samuel Wood. (See record of deed of land from Richard Ayres, Sen., to son-in-law, in Stamford land records, Book B, No. 340, dated Dec. 19, 1717.) Mrs. Wood, daughter of Richard Ayres, Sen., had children as follows: viz., Margaret, b 1719; Mary, b 1720; Philip, b 1722; John, b 1724; Benjamin, b 1726. She lived in Bedford, N. Y. (See further below in this record for more definite particulars of them.)

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- 2 4. RICHARD, Jr., born —— died April 5, 1719; m Abigail Buxton, Dec. 12, 1712. Children: John, b Oct. 9, 1715; Ebenezer, b May 20, 1716; Mary, b April 2, 1718. (See records of Probate Court, Fairfield, Conn., Vol. 6, page 99, Inventory of Estate of Richard Ayres, Jun., dated Nov. 17, 1720.) Abigail, widow of Richard Ayres, Jr., m John Mott, for second husband, and in 1735 quit claimed to sons, John, Ebenezer, and daughter, Mary, all interest in the estate of their honored father, Richard Ayres, Jr. Abigail Buxton (Ayres) Mott, d Dec., 1759. (See Book No. 2, page B 328, and Book No. 5, page 209, of Probate Records, Stamford, Conn., also Book No. 3, page 253, for record of her estate.)

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3. PHILIP, (Richard, 1) was alive in Bedford, N. Y., in 1741. (See Bolton's History of Westchester County, 37, Frederick Van Cortlandt, obtained a release from the following freeholders of Bedford, Sept. 21, 1741, 23 in number, one of whom was Philip Ayres. Also see History of Stamford, Rev. E. B. Huntington, page 178, Richard Ayres gives son Philip, land, Dec. 19, 1715.)

4. *EBENEZER, (Richard 1, Richard, Jun. 2), b 1716; m Elizabeth Holly, Feby. 14, 1739.

Children of above: viz.,

1. Ebenezer, b May 15, 1740, d young.
2. Reuben, b Sept. 29, 1741.
3. Jonathan, b 1750, d Dec. 8, 1826; m July 21, 1771, Deborah Scofield. Children, viz., see below.
4. Bradley, b 1751, died at No. Stamford, Apr. 25, 1825, ae 75. (See Church Records No. Stamford.) m Sarah———.
5. Lydia (4), (Richard 1, Richard, Jun. 2, Ebenezer 3), b 1744, d Apr. 26, 1805; m Reuben Scofield, b 1742, d 1835, age 93. Was Sergeant, July 6, 1775; Capt., July 9, 1777, in a battallion for the defence of the Sea Coast. Served as Captain for several years, received capts. pension. Hunt History of Stamford, p 242.
6. Mary (4), (Richard, Sen. 1, Richard, Jun. 2, Ebenezer 3); m John Waring of Stanwich, Oct. 11, 1770. (Bailey's Marriages.) Children; Sarah, John, Jared.
- ✓7. Elizabeth (4), (Richard, Sen. 1, Richard, Jun. 2, Ebenezer 3); m Wm. (Billy) Scofield, of Pound Ridge, Nov. 3, 1774. (Bailey's Marriages.)
8. Hannah (4), (Richard, Sen. 1, Richard, Jun. 2, Ebenezer 3), m; probably, John Bates 4th, father of Sarah Bates, grand-daughter of Ebenezer. See his will. (Sarah Bates was grand-daughter of Ebenezer Ayres. See his will, copy of which is on another page of this paper. Also see Stamford Probate

*Private Ebenezer Ayres, served in Revolutionary War, in Capt. Scofield's Co., 9th Regt., Col. John Meade. (See Conn. Men in Revolution, page 558.) Any descendant eligible to D. A. R. or S. A. R., patriotic Society, or to either male or female order of Founders & Patriots.

Records, Vol. IV, page 326. "Ebenezer Ayres appointed Guardian of Sarah Bates, daughter of John Bates 4th, and gave bond for five hundred pounds, May 1st, 1776.")

5. REUBEN, (Richard 1, Richard, Jun., 2, Ebenezer, 3), married Abigail Scofield, b Nov. 29, 1743, d Oct. 28, 181-.

Children as follows: viz.,

1. Reuben, b Nov. 8, 1765, d Feby. 25, 1844; m Betsey Lounsbury Scofield Seeley.
2. Abigail, b Jany. 29, 1768; m Isaac Hoyt. d 1812.
3. Rhoda, b 1769; m Abraham Canfield.
4. Mary, b June, 1772, d 1772.
5. Ezra, b in Long Ridge, Dec. 29, 1773; m Abigail Kellogg of New Canaan. James S. Ayres, son of Ezra, born in New York, June, 1806, died May, 29, 1840; m Clarinda Fitch of New Canaan, Feb. 1836, d Aug. 1881. Two children: Julia Abigail, born Aug. 14, 1837, alive 1915; Alicia Frances, born April 20, 1839, died May 1, 1912.
6. Sarah, b 1778; m Henry Smith.
7. Isaac, b 1780; m Sarah Hart.
8. James, b 1782.
9. Nancy, b 1784; m Benjamin Glasson.
10. Rufus, b 1787; m Hannah Barlow.
11. Charlotte, b 1789.

Three of the brothers, Reuben, Isaac and Rufus, settled on Long Ridge, Conn., 4 miles south of Bedford Village.

6. ISAAC (5), (Richard 1, Richard, Jr. 2, Ebenezer 3, Reuben 4.) born April 26, 1780, died Sept. 20, 1866; m Sarah Haight.

Children of above:

1. Frederick Hait, born Aug. 6, 1806, died Dec. 29, 1860; married Sarah Ann Marsh, May 5, 1835.

Children:

1. Sarah Anthros, born 1838.

2. Frederick Marsh, born 1840.
3. Wilbur Mason, born 1843.
4. Milton Montague, born 1845.
5. Mary Augusta, born 1847.
6. Edward Morrisson, born 1850.
7. Henry Mattheson, born 1852.
8. Benjamin Minott born 1856.
2. Sarah Hoyt, born March 26, 1808, d in South Norwalk; m Tompkins.
3. Hannah Reynolds, born Jany. 10, 1810, d in Huguenot, Jany., 1880.
4. Rhoda Maria, born Sept. 28, 1811, d Sept. 23, 1812.
5. Jane Elizabeth, born July 7, 1813, d Oct. 8, 1829.
6. Joseph, born April 18, 1815; m Feby. 27, 1852, Nancy A. Youngs. Died Feby. 10, 1839.
7. Marietta, born Oct. 12, 1820, m ——— Jones.
8. Matilda, born April 1, 1822, d in South Norwalk, Sept. 20, 1855. m Keeler.

7. *JONATHAN, (Richard, Sen. 1, Richard, Jr. 2, Ebenezer, 3), b 1750, d Dec. 8, 1826, ae 76 years. Buried in New Canaan, Conn., in cemetery in rear of Dr. Keeler's house. m Deborah Scofield, at Stamford, July 21, 1771; b 1750, d Jany. 30, 1828, ae 78.

Children as follows: viz.,

1. Ebenezer, born July 21, 1772; m 1st, Thankful (Lockwood), Nov. 5, 1794. m 2nd, ——— Hoyt.
2. Sally, b March 27, 1774; m 1st, Seth Weed, Nov. 26, 1794; m 2nd, ——— Hoyt.
3. Amos, b Nov. 10, 1776, d April 20, 1849, ae 72 y., 5 mo., 10 days. m Hannah Lockwood, Nov. 16, 1797, d Dec. 8, 1860, ae 81 y., 5 mo., 16 days.

*Jonathan Ayres, Corporal, served in Revolutionary War, in Capt. Scofield's Co., 9th Regt., Col. John Mead. (See Conn. men in Revolution, Page 554). Any descendant eligible to S. A. R. or D. A. R. Patriotic Society, or to either Male or Female Order of Patriots and Founders.

4. Jared, Dec. 29, 1778; m 1st, Polly Lockwood, Feb. 20, 1800. She d March 16, 1803, ae 25. m 2nd, Dinah Benedict, Oct. 9, 1803.
5. Betsey, b Nov. 6, 1780, d Mar. 26, 1866, ae 86 y., 5 mo., 20 days.
6. Frederick, b Sept. 26, 1782, d May 1, 1854, ae 71 y., 4 mo.
7. Polly, b Sept. 13, 1784, d Jany. 27, 1858, ae 72 y.
8. Deborah, b Nov. 24, 1786, d April 6, 1872, ae 86 y.
9. Minott, b May 2, 1791; m 1st, Hannah Lockwood; 2nd, Sarah Weed; 3rd, Lucretia Raymond. No children, no trace of of him any further.

8. BRADLEY (4), (Richard, Sen. 1, Richard, Jun. 2, Ebenezer 3); b 1752, d April 28, 1825, ae 73; m Sarah ———. Made will, gave property to wife during her life, then after her death, one third to Polly, wife of Samuel Scofield. Mrs. Bradley Ayres, d, made will and gave to Polly, wife of David Waterbury. See record of Church in North Stamford, Conn. Was Town Officer in Stamford in 1800. (Huntington's History, p 289.)

9. EBENEZER (5), (Richard 1, Richard, Jr. 2, Ebenezer 3, Jonathan 4); b July 21, 1772; m 1st, Thankful Lockwood, Nov. 5, 1794; m 2nd, ——— Hoyt.

Children:

1. William; m ——— Greenly. Had 8 or 9 boys and 1 daughter.
2. Alva; m ——— St. John. Had Darius and 2 daughters.
3. Hezron L.; m ——— Brown. Had 4 boys, Melvina and 1 other daughter. One girl m Jonathan K. Johnson, and had five girls, 1 set twins.
4. George Lockwood, m. No children.
5. Amzi; m Emmeline Hoyt. Children; George Lockwood, Sarah.
6. Samuel, m. No children.
7. Eliza,

8. Julia; m Judge Carter of Norwalk. Had 2 daughters.
 9. Ebenezer; m ——— Lockwood, sister of LeGrande Lockwood of Norwalk.
 10. Minott, b ———, (by 2nd wife, d in child-birth.)
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10. SALLY (5), (Richard 1, Richard, Jr. 2, Ebenezer 3, Jonathan 4), b March 27, 1774, at Stamford; m Seth Weed of New Canaan. Children: Andrus; m ——— Smith, had 1 child, Seth Chauncy. Daughter, Sally, unmarried. 1 daughter d about 16 years of age.
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11. JARED (5), (Richard 1, Richard, Jr. 2, Ebenezer 3, Jonathan 4), b Dec. 29, 1778; m Feby. 20, 1800, Polly Lockwood, 1st wife, b 1778, d Mar. 16, 1803, ae 25. Jared, m 2nd wife, Dinah Benedict of Patterson, b 1773. Children:
 1. Harriet; m Salmon Carter (Caster). Polly baptized March 17, 1803, d Feby. 2, 1806, ae 3y.
 2. Orville, baptized Jany. 20, 1805. He was an instructor in Yale and had 2 daughters.
 3. Cynthia Caroline, b Sept. 4, 1808; m Solomon (or Salmon) Caster.
 4. Debly Ann, b July 7, 1811.
 5. Jared Augustus, b March 6, 1814; m, had 2 sons.
 6. Betsey, b Nov. 6, 1780, d March 26, 1866, unmarried.
 7. Frederick, b Sept. 26, 1782, d May 1, 1854, ae 71 y., 4 mo. m Rebecca Seymour, b 1784, d Jany. 7, 1846, ae 62 y. Both buried in New Canaan, Conn.Children:
 1. Chauncey Ayres, M. D., b Aug. 14, 1808, at New Canaan, Conn., d Apr. 14, 1905, age 95. Prepared for college at the Academy at that place, went to Yale College, and was graduated from the medical department in 1831. His first practice was at Greenwich, Conn., and he went from there

to New York City, and was one of the surgeons in the New York Cholera Hospital in 1832. Following this for a period he was Surgeon of the United States Coast Survey, and settled in Stamford, Conn., in 1833, and lived and died there. He filled many positions of honor and trust. Married Aug. 14, 1831, Miss Deborah Ann Percival, a daughter of Dr. Warren Percival of Darien, Conn. She died Oct. 25, 1839.

Their children were:

1. Sarah Augusta, b Sept. 19, 1832, died in Newark, N. J., May 13, 1910. She married 1st, Wesley Smith of Brooklyn, N. Y., who died in that city in 1858. They had two children; both died young. She married 2nd, William Wilson of Brooklyn, N. Y., and had three children, the youngest, Julia Augusta, married Charles Lloyd of Brooklyn, and had one daughter, Dorothy.
2. Samuel Loring Percival, b July 29, 1835. An engineer in U. S. Navy, appointed by President Buchanan, July 21, 1858, third asst. Engineer U. S. Navy. Ordered to report for duty Aug. 8, 1861. Retired from active service July 29, 1897. Advanced to retired list of officers to the Rank of Rear Admiral for Civil War Service, by act of Congress, approved July 29, 1906; m 2nd, Mrs. Julia A. Simpson, of Brooklyn, N. Y.
3. Louisa Scofield, died in childhood.
4. Deborah Ann, born in Stamford Oct. 10. 1839, died in Ridgewood, N. J.

Chauncy Ayres 2nd wife was Mrs. Julia A. Simpson, widow of Montrose Simpson of Brooklyn, N. Y., and she had

1. Chauncy Edward, d. y.
2. Charles Gordon, d. y.

3. Elizabeth W., who was unmarried and living with her father until his death.

Children of Jared, continued.

8. William Henry.
 9. James Edwin.
 10. Lavina.
 11. Caroline E., b 1832, d May 18, 1846, ae 14 yrs.
 12. Rebecca Ann, b 1822, d March 19, 1834, ae 11 yrs. 8 mo.
 13. Polly E., b Sept. 13, 1784, d Jany. 27, 1858, ae 72 years. Not married.
 14. Deborah Ann, b Nov. 13, 1786, d April 6, 1872, ae 86 years. Not married.
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12. AMOS, b Nov. 10, 1776, d April 20, 1849, ae 72 y., 5 mo., 20 da. m *Hannah Lockwood, Nov. 16, 1797, b ——— 1779, d Dec. 8, 1860, ae 81 y., 5 mo., 16 da. Buried in New Canaan, Conn.

Children:

1. Abigail Mead, b 1799, d April 29, 1815, ae 16 years. Admitted to Church, Dec. 30, 179—.
2. Sally Ann, born ——— died ———; m Daniel Button.

Children:

1. Sarah; died unmarried.
2. Edward; died and left 7 children.

Children:

1. Frances, unmarried.
2. or 3. Thomas, has three. Lucy; m ——— Maud; Harry.
- 2 or 3. Emma; m ——— Bates.
4. Caroline, married.

*Hannah Lockwood was the daughter of Lieut. Samuel Lockwood, son of Ephraim, and served in the Revolution, first as private, then Lieut. (See Conn. Men in Revolution page 194, also History of the Lockwood family, by F. A. Holden and E. Dunbar Lockwood, 1889. State Library, Hartford, Conn., page 217.) All his decerdants are eligible to D. A. R. and S. A. R. Societies.

5. Charles, married. Has two children, Perley and ———. At one time Charles was a police officer in Stamford, Conn.
6. George, unmarried.
7. Minnie; m John Hyatt, 2 children.
3. Harriet, died unmarried.
4. Frances Cordelia; b in New Canaan, Conn., Aug. 5, 1832, d in New Haven, Conn., Sept. 5, 1897, age 65 y. 11 mo. m William Button of Fair Haven, Conn.; b Aug. 9, 1812, d Aug. 25, 1903, age 91 y, 16 days. No children.
5. Hannah Button, born ———, d ———. m 1st, John Pardee; no children. m 2nd, Rev. William Miller; 3 children: Nellie May, died young. Frances (christened) Button, born June 24, 1873; name legally changed to Frances Baldwin; m J. Stanford Brown, Sept. 2, 1903. No children. Frederick Daner, died young.
6. Minerva, m Charles M. Marsh. No children.
7. William, died unmarried. Was in Civil War.
8. George, died unmarried.
9. Agnes, died unmarried.
3. George Willis, m Esther Norman. Children: Mary Emma, Charles Norman, Betty.
4. Jonathan Edward, b Feby. ——— 1805, d Oct. 16, 1871, ae 62 yr., 3 mo., 24 d. m Jane Chapman, b 1808 or 9, d April 21, 1870, ae 62-3. -24. Children:
 1. Mary Elizabeth; m Dec. 12, 1856, Solomon Morgan Lockwood, b July 24, 1818 at Stamford, Conn. Mary Elizabeth Ayres & Solomon Morgan Lockwood, had children as follows: Mary Bellamy, Caroline Alida, Edwin Morgan, b Sept. 20, 1859, baptized June 20, 1860; married Maggie Florence Patterson, Aug. 22, 1886. Had daughter Dorothy May Lockwood, b May 5, 1887, m 1914.

2. Cornelius Henry, born June 1, 1838, d April 1, 1896; m Nov. 1, 1857, Sarah C. Waterbury, b Dec. 8, 1831, d Jany. 4, 1899. Had one daughter Mary, b Oct. 15, 1858, who m Emil G. Christiansen and resides in Bridgeport, Conn. For several years she was a very successful and popular teacher in the public schools of that city.
3. Edward Francis; m 1st, Mary Elizabeth Dailey, who d June 6, 1861, ae 26 y., 6 mo., 6 da. No children. m 2nd, Harriet L. Ewart, had 2 sons, E. F. Jr., m Daisy Fitzhugh. He died Dec. 12, 1894. Horace married Arline Skiff, had 2 children, Dorothy and Horace.
4. Joseph Chapman, baptized July 4, 1841, died in Oneida, N. Y. Married 1st, Mary Elizabeth Jones, had two daughters; Emma died young, Jane who married——. Joseph Chapman married 2nd, Xarifa Burrell and had one daughter, Nellie, who died young.
5. Horace Hutton, baptized, Nov. 19, 1843, d June 12, 1869, ae 26 y., 2 mo., 25 da. Married Elizabeth Phelps. She afterwards married Wilson Ames. Is a widow and resides at Asbury Park, N. J. No children.
5. Deliah Maria, b Jany. 10, 1807, d Jany. 30, 1892, Married Thomas Ritter, M. D., of New York City, b Apr. 28, 1806, d May 12, 1876. Children: Julia, married. Maria, b Sept. 29, 1837, d June 11, 1897. Hannah Ayres, Thomas Bard, Hannah Morse, John, Asahel Nettleton, infant children. On tombstone, Evergreen Cemetery, New Haven, Conn.
6. Amos Northrop, baptized March 14, 1810. No further trace.
7. Hannah Eliza, bap. May 31, 1812; m Edward Seymour. Children: Adeline, Samuel, George, Charles, Adeline m, 1st, ——Merrill; had one daughter Ella Merrill, who m James Tristram. She d ——1914 or

1915. Possibly left one child. Adeline m 2nd, Henry Underwood, and was alive in Chicago, Ill., in 1915, age 85 years.

8. Lewis Bradley, b June 17, 1814, d June 1, 1898, ae 84 years. m Sept. 6, 1840, Clarrissa Burbridge Hoyt, b Oct. 11, 1810, d May 1, 1871, daughter of Lieut. †Henry Hoyt and Sarah Brown of Stamford, Conn. Children:

1. Charles Lewis, b Oct. 7, 1841, d Sept. 5, 1842.
2. Esther Mary, b Jan. 8, 1843, d Jan. 27, 1896. m Levi H. Toucey, Nov. 26, 1866. Levi H. Toucey b Aug. 24, 1836, d Sept. 12, 1906. Children:
 1. Herbert, b Sept. 9, 1867, d Jan. 20, 1868.
 2. Clara Maria, b April 26, 1869, d Oct. 24, 1913. Unmarried.
3. Hattie Louise, b Dec. 6, 1871.
4. George States, b Dec. 4, 1876. Married Sarah Mathon, Nov. 19, 1902. b Mar. 19, 1879. Had one daughter, Berniece Fredericka, b Nov. 17, 1904, one daughter born on Apr. 17, 1912, b and d same day. Resided in Los Angeles, Cal., in 1915.
5. *Walter B., b Dec. 21, 1880. Married 1st, Lilian Noble, had two daughters, *Clara Louise, b Sept. 11, 1901, and Myrtle, b June 2, 1903, d Feby. 4, 1905. Married 2nd *Mary C. Smith, Oct. 24, 1911. Had one daughter, *Elizabeth Esther, b Mar. 13, 1913.
3. Louisa Theresa, b Feby 17, 1845; m Hon'l James Noyes States, Jany. 28, 1868, at Bridgeport, Conn., by Rev. Mr. Richards, of the North Congregational Church. Had one son, Frank Lewis, b June 9, 1869, d Aug. 7, 1869.

†All descendants of Lieut. Henry Hoyt are eligible to the Patriotic Society of Sons, or Daughters of the War of 1812. See Huntington's History of Stamford, page 353, for Military Service.

*Alive 1915.

4. Charles Lewis, 2nd, b July 11, 1846, d Dec. 6, 1903. m Jan'y. 29, 1871 Frances A. Colburn of New Haven, Conn., b June 9, 1847, d May 11, 1911.

Children:

- Carlos L., b March 25, 1872; m Mary G. Harbison, June 24, 1896. m by Rev. J. E. Twitchell. Had one daughter, Alta J., b March 18, 1899.
1. Ralph Burbridge, b Sept. 7, 1873, d 1876.
 2. Herbert Etheridge, b 1874, d 1874.
 3. Roger C., b 1876, d 1876.
 4. Roscoe E., b 1878, d 1878.
 5. Roscoe E., 2nd, b 1881, d 1881.
 6. Warren B., b May 28, 1882; m Lillian May Pinckney, b May 11, 1888, daughter of Chas. Minor Pinckney and Polly Estella Bailey (his wife) of Brookfield, Conn., had one daughter, Doris Estelle, b Dec. 3, 1913.
 7. Louisa T., b 1888; m Chester Arthur Baxter. Had one son, Stanford Earle, b July 6, 1910, d Jan'y 17, 1914.
 8. Lillian F., b 1888, d 1888.
5. Henry Herbert, b Dec. 8, 1847, d Sept. 7, 1853. Son of Lewis B.

Children of Amos Ayres, continued.

17. William Minot, b Feby 5, 1818, d Jan'y 2, 1876; m Emma R. Beach, b in New York, June 22, 1818, d Bridgeport, June 10, 1908, ae 90 y., 11 mo., 19 d. Both interred in Mountain Grove Cemetery, Bridgeport, Conn., Section 8, Lot 32. William Minot, Jr., b 1843, d Dec. 18, 1860, ae 17 y., 10 mos. Henry Norman, b —, m 1st, Lucy Johnson. Two children died young; Willie, aged 9 months, Jennie, aged 3 months. m 2nd, Emma——. No children.
18. Minot, b May 2, 1791; m 1st, — Lockwood; m 2nd, Sarah Weed; m 3rd, Lucretia Raymond. No children by either wife. All trace of him lost.

Tremaine Family, Yale University Library.

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GROVER AYRES: He married —, resided in Springfield, Ill.; child, Mortimer, born June 25, 1848. No. 911, 625. Dr. Mortimer Ayres, (Grover No. 911616) b Springfield, Ill., June 25, 1848. Studied medicine in this country and in Europe. Married, July 15, 1874, Doris Hill, daughter of Lt. Gov. William Hill of Rushville, Ill. Physician and surgeon in U. S. Navy. He removed in 1895 to Pasadena, Cal. Children:

Ethel, born Nov. 24, 1875.

Dora Olive, born Nov. 13, 1877; m Julius Richard Jacobs of Pasadena, Cal. He died Feb. 27, 1902. His widow (1912) resides at Noth Maringo Avenue, Pasadena, Cal.

NOTES FROM CHURCH RECORDS, NEW CANAAN, CONN.

BAPTIZED.

- 1798, Jany. 14, Ebenezer Ayres, Amos Ayres, on their profession.
- 1798, March 2, Alva and William, children of Ebenezer.
- 1798, March 18, Jared Ayres, an adult.
- 1798, Dec. 30, Abigail Mead, daughter of Amos Ayres.
- 1801, June 29, Hezron Lockwood, son of Ebenezer Ayres.
- 1801, June 29, Edwin Lockwood, son of Ebenezer Ayres.
- 1803, Mar. 17, Polly, daughter of Jared Ayres.
- 1805, Jany. 20, William Orville, son of Jared Ayres.
- 1805, June 30, Amos, son of Ebenezer Ayres.
- 1806, June 8, Polly, daughter of Jared Ayres. (see below)
- 1808, Sept. 4, Cynthia Caroline, daughter of Jared Ayres.
- 1809, July 2, Andrew, son of Ebenezer Ayres.
- 1810, March 14, Amos Northrop, son of Amos Ayres.
- 1811, July 7, Debby Ann, daughter of Jared Ayres.
- 1811, Nov. 21, Eliza Jane, daughter of Ebenezer Ayres.
- 1812, May 31, Hannah Eliza, daughter of Amos Ayres.
- 1814, March 6, Jared Augustus, son of Jared Ayres.
- 1814, May 5-15, Julia Ann, daughter of Ebenezer Ayres.

- 1816, April 14, Ebenezer Ayres, son of Ebenezer.
 1816, July 7, Minott Ayres, adult.
 1816, Sept. 1, Thomas Nelson, son of William Ayres. ✓
 1817, March 9, Eliza Ann, daughter of William Ayres. ✓
 1818, May 2, William Minott, son of Amos Ayres.
 1818, May 2, William Augustus, son of William Ayres.
 1819, Oct. 31, John Alonzo, son of William Ayres.
 1821, Oct. 7, Minott Chauncey, son of Ebenezer.
 1823, Sept. 27, Vincent Mortimer, son of William Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Chauncey Ayres, adult.
 1827, May 6, Elizabeth Ayres, adult. ✓
 1817, May 6, David St. John, son of Alonzo and (May) Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Alonzo and (May) Ayres.
 1828, March 2, Polly Elizabeth Ayres, adult.
 1828, March 2, Deborah Ann Ayres, adult.
 1828, April 18, Oliver Leslie, son of Hezron Ayres.
 1828, Sept. 24, Margaret Adaline, daughter of Alonzo Ayres.
 1829, Mary Elizabeth, daughter of Jonathan E. Ayres.
 1830, Jany. 1, Emma Adaline, daughter of Hezron Ayres.
 1831, July 1, William Henry Ayres, adult. ✓
 1833, Jany. 6, Sarah, wife of Hezron Ayres, adult.
 1834, July 27, Charles Henry, son of H. L. Ayres.
 1835, May 24, Henry Gaines, son of William Henry Ayres.

DIED.

- 1803, March 16, Jared Ayres wife, aged 25 years.
 1806, Feby. 2, Polly, daughter of Jared Ayres, aged 3 years.

ADMITTED.

- 1820, Sept. 1, William Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Deliah Maria Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Hanna E. Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Cynthia Caroline Ayres.
 1827, May 6, Deborah Ann Ayres.
 1827, July 1, Julia Ann Ayres.

- 1812, May, Minott Ayres. 1818, March, Alva Ayres.
 1823, April, Amos Ayres. 1828, June, Betsey Ayres & others.
 1833, June, George W. Ayres.
 1834, April, Hannah Ayres. 1835, Nov., William H. Ayres.
 1836, June, Hezron L. Ayres. 1837, Dec., Andrew Ayres.
 1837, Sept., Amos N. Ayres. 1838, Dec., Deborah Ann Ayres.
 1836, Feby., James S. Ayres. 1840, Aug., Ebenezer Ayres, Jr.
 1841, Dec., Jarius (Jarvis) L. Ayres.
 1842, Mar., Clarinda Ayres. 1843, Nov., Darius S. Ayres.
 1846, May, Thomas N. Ayres. 1849, March, Amzi Ayres.
 1850, March, Samuel Ayres. 1852, Feby., Sarah Ayres. ✓
 1852, Sept., Lewis B. Ayres & wife, to Jane C.
 1852, April, Margaret A. Ayres. 1856, Feby., Chancy Ayres.
 1849, March, George Ayres & wife. 1864, Apr., Joseph C. Ayres.
 1878, March, Matilda Ayres. 1889, June, Julia & Alica Ayres.

NEW CAANAN, CONN., Town Clerk's Office.

BORN.

- 1853, Sept. 4. Daughter to Mary E. Ayres & Solomon Lockwood.
 1854, April 15. Son to Ebenezer Ayres & Emily.
 1855, May 28. Daughter to Oliver L. & Mary J. Ayres.
 1858, Oct. 15. Daughter (Mary) to Cornelius H. & Sarah C. Ayres.
 1859, Sept. 20. Son to Mary E. Ayres & Solomon Lockwood.
 1865, Feby. 19. Daughter to Joseph C. & Mary (Jones) Ayres.
 1866, Jany. 19. Son to Edward Franklin & Harriet (Euart) Ayres.

TOMBSTONES IN THE NEW CEMETERY AT NEW CANAAN,
CONNECTICUT.

Venancia, son of Hezron & Sally Ayres, d Nov. 5, 1822,
ae 11 mo., 3 days.

Charles Henry, son of Hezron & Sarah Ayres, d in N. Y.,
July 23, age 21 years, 4 months and 15 days.

Hezron L. Ayres, d Feby. 22, 1874, age 73 years,
9 months, 12 days.

Sarah, wife of Hezron L. Ayres, d April 16, 1869, age
68 y., 7 mo., 2 d.

Oliver L. Ayres, d Feby. 22, 1877, Co-G., 10th Regt., C. V.

Clarinda (Fitch) Ayres, wife of James S. Ayres, daughter
of Joseph & Hannah Fitch, b May 6, 1801,
d Aug. 12, 1881.

Mary Elizabeth, wife of Edward F. Ayres, d June 6, 1861,
age 26 years, 6 months, 6 days.

Edward Francis Ayres, son of Jonathan E., 1835-1900.

Harriet L. Euart, his wife, (alive 1905.)

Edward Francis Ayres, Jr., b Jany. 19, 1866,
d Dec. 12, 1894.

Jonathan Edward Ayres, d Oct. 16, 1871, age 66 years,
8 months.

Jane Chapman, wife of Jonathan E. Ayres, d Apr. 21, 1870,
age 62 years, 3 months, 24 days.

Horace Hutton, son of Jonathan E. & Sarah Ayres, d June
12, 1869, age 26 years, 2 months, 25 days.

Cornelius H. Ayres, son of Jonathan E. & Sarah (Chap-
man) Ayres, b June 1, 1838, d April 1, 1896.

Sarah C. Waterbury, wife of Cornelius H. Ayres, b Dec. 8,
1831, d Jany. 4, 1899.

Solomon Lockwood, b 1818, d 1900.

Mary Elizabeth (Ayres) Lockwood, wife of Solomon,
b 1828, d 1890.

Mary Bellamy Lockwood, daughter of Solomon & Mary
Elizabeth, b 1851, d 1874.

Caroline Alida (Lockwood), wife of J. B. Jennings,
1853-1903.

Tombstones in an old BURYING GROUND in New Canaan, Conn., back of the house occupied by Dr. Keeler, Dec., 1914.

Jonathan Ayres, died Dec. 8, 1826, aged 76.

Died, Jany. 30, 1828, Deborah (Scofield), wife of Jonathan Ayres, aged 78.

Amos Ayres, died April 20, 1849, aged 72 y., 5 mo., 10 d.

Hannah (Lockwood), wife of Amos Ayres, died Dec. 8, 1860, aged 81 years, 5 months, 16 days.

Polly E. Ayres, daughter of Jonathan & Deborah,
died Jany. 27, 1858, aged 72 years.

Betsey Ayres, daughter of Jonathan & Deborah Ayres, died
March 26, 1866, aged 86 years, 5 months, 20 days.

Deborah Ann Ayres, daughter of Jonathan & Deborah Ayres, died April 6, 1872, aged 86 years.

Frederick, son of Jonathan & Deborah Ayres, died May 1, 1854, aged 71 years, 4 months, 21 days.

Rebecca, wife of Frederick Ayres, died Jany. 7, 1846,
ae 62 years.

Rebecca, daughter of Frederick & Rebecca Ayres, died
March 19, 1834, aged 11 years, 8 months.

Abigail Meade, daughter of Amos & Hannah Ayres, died April 29, 1815, aged 16 years, 6 months, 4 days.

Caroline E., daughter of Frederick & Rebecca Ayres, died May 18, 1843, aged 14 years.

Alvah Ayres, died Sept. 10, 1845, aged 50 years, 4 months, 2 days.

History of Norwalk, Conn., by SELLECK,
1896, Page 89.

Jonathan & Deborah Ayres. These two New Canaan fore-parents m July 21, 1771, and founded the Ayres home that stood some distance west of the "Platt Farm," on Haynes Ridge, now the elegant Child estate "Wsigannon-ta." Nine children were brought up in this home. The sons became prominent business men, while the daughters were actively occupied in household duties during the secular week and seen on Sunday in the sanctuary to which, crossing the Stamford perambulating path and adown "Haynes Ridge," they regularly rode. Frederick m Rebecca Seymour. Minott and Jared selected the sightly "Clapboard Hill" for residences. Ebenezer chose the sundown slope of "Bushy Ridge," and Amos the busy site of "Benedict & Co. Manufactory." Minott was m thrice, his last wife, Lucretia Raymond, being aunt to Oscar W. Raymond.

Hunt History, Page 312.

Congregational Church of North Stamford, organized June 4, 1782, consisted of 22 members, one of which was Rebecca Ayers.

Huntington's History of Stamford, PAGE 163.

- ✓ Elizabeth Ayers m Joseph Lockwood, May 19, 1699, had
 - ✓ Joseph, b May 15, 1699.
 - Hannah, b March 24, 1701.
 - John, b Sept. 18, 1703.
 - Nathaniel, b April 1, 1706.

TOMBSTONE AT NORTH STAMFORD CEMETERY.

Mary Ayres, wife of Gideon Lockwood, died Jan. 18, 1870,
aged 71 years, 11 months, 4 days.

Phebe Ayres, wife of John Haight.

Records of Cong'l Church at North Stamford.

Eliza, daughter of Ebenezer & Deborah Ayres, baptized
Nov. 2, 1788.

Ebenezer Davenport Ayres, baptized Jan. 19, 1797.

Abraham Ayres & Hannah Ayers, dismissed by letter to
church in Stamford.

Bradley Ayres died of fever, age 75, April 28, 1825.

Rebecca Ayres, member of No. Stamford Church. Original member.

Dr. Geo. Burch & wife Harriet, dismissed (1825?) (Apparently he had been the minister at this church.)

AN OLD CEMETERY AT POUND RIDGE.

Betsey Ann, wife of R. William Ayres, died Mar. 13,
1861, ae 38.

Bedford Church Records.

Reuben Ayres admitted May 6, 1787.

Town Records OF BEDFORD, kept at Mt. Kisco, Town
Clerk's Office,

Member of Church, 1790, Reuben Ayres.

Children of Reuben & Abigail Ayres.

Ezra, Aug. 19, 1787, age 13.

Isaac, Dec. 29, 1786, age 7.

James, April 26, 1787, age 4.

Rufus, Aug. 23, 1786, b May, 27, 1787.

Mary, Jany. 9, 1787, age 15.

Nancy, Oct. 13, 1716, age 2.

Baptized child of Reuben & Abigail Ayres, by Mr. Seward: Charlotte, May 24, 1789.

Assessment of Richard Ayres, 6 pounds, 0 sh., 0 pence.

Assessment of Philip Ayres, 59 pounds, 10 sh., 0 pence.

(The above in a Table in the Museum.)

The clerk of the Presbyterian Church at Bedford Village,
Dec. 1914, was Miss Williamson.

The Village Cemetery at Long Ridge (Conn.) has a fine
Granite monument (five or six tons weight) which reads:

In Memory Of

Grand-father Issac Ayres, born Long Ridge, April 26, 1780,
died at Long Ridge, Sept. 20, 1866.

Grand-mother Sarah (Haight), born at Stanwich, May 11,
1784, died at Long Ridge, Dec. 9, 1864.

Father Frederick H. Ayers, born Long Ridge, Aug. 6, 1806,
died at Long Ridge, Dec. 29, 1880.

Mother Sarah A. (Marsh) Ayres, born Sherburne, N. Y.,
Jany. 12, 1814, died at Stamford, Sept. 16, 1898.

Children:

Sarah A. Ayres, born Lincklaen, N. Y., Jany. 14, 1838,
died at Binghampton, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1855.

Frederick M. Ayres, born Conklin, N. Y.,
July 3, 1840, died——

Wilbur M. Ayres, born Long Ridge, July 22, 1843,
died——

Milton M. Ayres, born Long Ridge, June 24, 1845, died at
Long Ridge, March 20, 1863.

*Mary A. Ayres (Finch), born Long Ridge, Sept 5, 1847,
alive Mar., 1916

*July 4, 1876, Married Lounsbury Finch, b July 2, 1847, d at Long
Ridge. Children: Edward Ayres Finch, b June 7, 1878. (Doctor)
Sarah Elizabeth Finch, b March 3, 1881. Frederic Braen Finch, b
June 7, 1884, d June 20, 1908.

Edward M. Ayres, born at Long Ridge, June 5,
died——

Henry M. Ayres, born at Long Ridge, August 3,——,
died——

Benjamin M. Ayres, born at Long Ridge, March 26,——,
died——

A tombstone in another part of the Cemetery reads:

*Joseph Ayres died Feby. 27, 1852, age 36 y., 10 mo., 9 d.

Huntington's History of Stamford, Page 312.

The North Stamford Cong'l Church was organized June 4, 1782, with 22 members, among them Reuben Scofield and Rebecca Ayres.

Page 296. First Church of Christ in Stamford was begun Jany. 1, 1747. One of the members was Rebecca, wife of Jona Ayres, 1746.

Page 313. Long Ridge Cong'l Church organized about 1840. The church was built in 1842. Members: Isaac Ayres, Harriet Ayres. Rev. Frederick Ayres engaged to supply the pulpit commencing Nov. 6, 1842, preaching until 1853.

Page 452. Jeremiah N. Ayres and Davenport & Sons., were the owners of Stillwater & Roxbury Rolling Mills.

STAMFORD, CONN., *Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths*, from the 1st Record up to 1825,
by E. B. Huntington.

On file in the Town Clerk's Office at Stamford, in book form.

Page 7. Richard Ayres, Jr., married Abigail Buxton, Dec. 18, 1712. A son born March 2, 1713; John b Oct. 9, 1714; Ebenezer b May 20, 1716. Lawrence d———28, 1717.

*One of the Ayres brothers says that he was not of his family. Mr. Benjamin Ayres thought he might have been a son of one of his grandfather's sisters.

Richard, Jr., d April 5, 1719. Mary, wife of Richard, Sr., d Jany 19, 1715-6. Ebenezer b May 15, 1740. Reuben b Sept. 29, 1741. John m Rebecca Potts, April 6, 1749. ✓ Phebe b Aug. 20, 1750. Rebecca b June 12, 1752. John b Jany. 11, 1752. Ebenezer b March 2, 1761. Mary b July 27, 1765. Esther b Oct. 27, 1770. Reuben m Abigail Scofield. Reuben b Nov. 8, 1766. Abigail b Jany. 27, 1768. Rhoda b Dec. 17, 1769. Jonathan m Deborah Scofield, July 21, 1771. Ebenezer b July 21, 1772. Sally b March 27, 1774. Amos b Nov. 10, 1776. Jared b Dec. 29, 1778. Betsey b Nov. 6, 1780. Frederick b Sept. 26, 1782. Polly b Sept. 13, 1784. Deborah b Nov. 24, 1786. Minott b May 2, 1791. Alfred m Harriet Lockwood, Apr. 15, 1821.

M. B. & D. Records on File in Office of the Town Clerk at Stamford, Conn.

Page 150. Alfred Ayres m Harriet Lockwood. Page 234. Amzi Ayres of New Canaan, m Emmeline Hoyt of Stamford, May 9, 1831. Frederick Peck of Greenwich m Sarah B. Hoyt of Stamford, Sept. 25, 1831. Page 243. Jeremiah N. Ayres m Francis L. Newman, March 12, 1837. Page 259. Dr. Chauncey Ayres m Mrs. Julia A. Simpson, Sept. 3, 1840. Page 299. Jeremiah N. Ayres m Sarah M. Leeds, June 21, 1849. Vol. 3, M. B. & D., page 1. Chas., son of Chauncy & Julia Ann, Feby. 7, 1848. Page 17. Jeremiah N. Ayres m Sarah M. Leeds, June 21, 1849. Page 45. Frederick H. Ayres, minister at Long Ridge, performed marriage, Nov. 11, 1852. Page 55. Charles Gordon Ayres d April 20, 1852, age 4 years. Page 58. Henrietta Janneth Ayres b Nov. 5, 1853, daughter of Jeremiah N. Ayres & Sarah M.

Bailey's Book, 6, page 30. Reuben Ayres m Abigail Scofield, Nov. 29, 1764.

In *Sellick's History of Norwalk* appear these names, viz., page 697 & 8, Joseph Arnold, Richard Ayres, Sr., Amos Ayres. On page 89, and others with the name of Ayres.

Pages 89 & 301. Carrie. Page 89. Chauncy, Dr., Deborah, Mrs., Ebenezer, Elizabeth, Hezron. Page 133. James Hezron. Page 89. Jared, Jonathan, Julia Ann, Minott, Rebecca Seymour, Mrs. Sally Nelson. Page 133. Sally Nelson.

IN *Hall's Records of Norwalk, Conn.*, these names, viz., Page 268. Benjamin Ayres m Sarah Keeler, April 15, 1776. Children: Stephen, b Jany. 24, 1777; Moses, b June 7, 1782.

Page 268. Ebenezer Ayres, b July 21, 1772, m Thankful Lockwood, b Nov. 6, 1784. Alvah, b May 8, 1795. William, b April 31, 1797. Matilda, b Jan. 4, 1799. Hezron L., b May 10, 1801. George, b April 3, 1803. Amzi, b April 21, 1805. Samuel, d May 17, 1809. Eliza Jane, b Oct. 17, 1811. Julia Ann, b Jany. 17, 1814. Ebenezer, b Feb. 24, 1816. Thankful, wife of Ebenezer Ayres, died March 3, 1817.

In the *Stamford City Directory* for 1872 are These
Names:

Ayres Abraham V., No. Stamford.

“ Alfred, farm, Long Ridge.

“ A. H., Grocer, Summer Street.

“ Chauncy, (M. D.) Main Street.

“ J. D., Salesman, Northfield Street.

“ F. H., Grocer, Long Ridge.

“ Jeremiah, (Stillwater Co.) Main Street.

“ John A., Farmer, Long Ridge.

“ Wilbur M., Merchant, Roxbury.

Directory for 1914

Ayer Richard, Adv't Agent, 49 Bank Street.

Ayres Barton, N., Banker, N. Y., House Tremont Av.,
Glenbrook.

Ayres Benj. M., Long Ridge.

“ Charles W., Stillwater Ave.

“ Edward M., Long Ridge.

“ Elizabeth W., boards Suburban Ave.

Ayres Henry M., Long Ridge.

“ William M., Roxbury.

“ Winfield, Physician, Shippan Ave.

“ Brothers, Real Estate, Atlantic Street.

Land Records, Book B, Page 160, No. 95. Town Clerk's Office, Stamford.

Witness these presents yt I Benjamin Hait, Sr., of Stamford, in the County of Fairfield & Colony of Connecticut, have for a valuable consideration in hand to my full satisfaction sold unto Richard Ayres, Senior, of Stamford, in the County & Colony above sd, to say a head right of land in the new field so called four acres being the bounds of Stamford, butting to the highway east & west to the fence Bounded to John Miller north & William Cressy south the aforesaid land with all the rights & privelidges & appurtenances thereto belonging I the forenamed Benjamin Hait have absolutely sold and by these presence sell alienate make over from me & mine forever unto the fornamed Ayres & his forever quietly to possess & enjoy the same in a full & free manner promising to free the sd land & every part thereof from all former claims sales bargains gifts mortgages or incumbrances whatsoever before the date hereof, as witness to my hand & seal in Stamford, it is to become understood this Bill of Sale was made to sd Richard Ayres upward of thirty years agoe: & is lost by the sd Ayres and this is made in lue thereof in the year 1699.

Benjamin Hait. (L. S.)

Witness Benjamin Bishop,
Samuel Hait.

The adove written bill of sale is acknowledged by the Grantor in Stamford in lue of the date as though it had been before me.

Samuel Hait, J. P.

Received Dec. 20th, 1711 & recorded.

Stephen Bishop,

Recorder.

*Records of the Court of Probate of County of
Fairfield, Conn.*

Vol. 6, page 46-66 which see in reference to the estate of Lawrence Ayres, Deceased.

Vol. 6, page 99. Samuel Weed, Administrator on the estate of Richard Ayres, Jr., late of Stamford deceased, made solemn oath before the Court of Probate held in Fairfield, Nov. 17, 1720, to the truth of the above Inventory. And the said inventory being proved is by Court.

Samuel Weed of Stamford Administrator on the estate of Richard Ayres, Jr., late of Stamford, deceased according to a former order of Court, have rendered an account of his Administration to the Court of Probate held in Fairfield, Nov. 17, 1720, which amount the Court have computed with the Inventory, do find that the Inventory amounts to 214 pounds, 13 shillings, 7 pence, and the debts are 111 pounds, 17 shillings, 7 pence, which being deducted from the Inventory there remains clear estate, 102 pounds, 16 shillings, 00 pence, which the Court do order shall be divided as followeth: there being a widow who shall have one third part of the moveable estate forever, and one third part of the Real Estate as her own forever; and the rest of the sd estate to be divided to the children of the said deceased, there being two sons, and one daughter, namely John, Ebenezer, and Mary Ayres. The eldest son shall have a double portion, and the other children shall have equal and single portions of the estate. And the Court do define and appoint John Bell, and Samuel Hait, Junr., of Stamford, to distribute the said estate according to the above order of the Court and to be under Oath as the Law directs.

John Ayres, 5 years old the 9th Oct., 1720.

Ebenezer, 4 years old last May, the 20th.

Mary was 2 years old the 22nd day of last April.

Page 99. May the 15, 1719. Inventory of the estate of Richard Ayres, Jr., who deceased April the 5th, 1719, then

follows the items and it is signed by John Bell and Samuel Hait, Appraisers.

One item of the Inventory reads "May 15, 1719. An Inventory of the estate of Richard Ayres, Jun., who deceased Ayril 5, 1719. Amounting to 214 pounds, 15 shillings, 9 pence. The old house and 17 and a half acres of land and Orchard where the old man lives."

(Richard Ayres, Sr., came to Stamford about 1643 as shown by deed from Benjamin Hait, dated 1699, and as he died about 1719 he must have been something like ninety odd years of age when he died. J. N. S.)

Record of Court of Probate, Stamford, Conn.

Vol. 6, Pages 785 & 786.

WILL OF EBENEZER AYRES.

In the Name of God Amen. I Ebenezer Ayres of the Town of Stamford, Fairfield County & State of Connecticut, being in perfect Health, and in perfect mind and memory (thanks be to God). Calling unto mind the mortality of the Body and knowing that it is appointed for all men to die, do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament. That is to say, Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of God that gave it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner at the direction of my Executors: nothing doubting that at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate as has pleased God to bless me with in this life I give demise and dispose of the same in Manner following. First I give and bequeath to my Dear and beloved Wife, Elizabeth, one third of all my real and personal estate after my funeral and all other just debts are paid, for her use and behoof during her natural life. Secondly I give to my eldest & beloved son, Reuben Ayres, Ten pounds as being my eldest. Thirdly I give my House & homestead to my three sons equally to be divided, Viz: to Reuben Ayres, Jonathan Ayres, and Bradley Ayres. Fourthly. I give to Bradley Ayres my youngest son, a certain piece of land at the upper

end of the village called "Scofield Town" containing about sixteen Acres, bounded as follows, Southerly by a driftway & Westerly by a driftway. Northerly by John Scofield's land, Easterly by Isaac Weed's land & a highway, Likewise Two Acres of Salt Meadow adjoining the Beach Creek, & likewise a horse and a pair of oxen, Likewise a cart & wheels. Fifthly, I will that my three sons above named do pay or give to my three daughters, Viz: My eldest daughter Lydia, my daughter Mary, & Elizabeth, in addition to what I have given them, Fifteen pounds to be equally divided amongst them and each of my aforementioned sons to pay his equal portion of the sd sum. Sixthly, I give to my daughter Hannah a bed and furniture, Viz: Three coverlids & six pair of sheets &c. Likewise I give her a cow and calf and six good Sheep: Besides particular, I will that my daughter Hannah be made equal to either of my other daughters. Likewise I will that my three sons above named pay the aforesaid Legacies to my four daughters each one his equal proportion out of ye moveables of my estate if a sufficiency, if not of my real estate to each of my daughters as above directed: Likewise, I will that my three sons provide a comfortable room for the convenience of my daughter Hannah whilst she remains unmarried. Seventhly I will that my three sons pay each of them his equal part unto my grand-daughter Sarah Bates the sum of twenty pounds, five shillings, at the expiration of her Minority. Eighthly, I will that the remainder of my moveable estate be equally divided between my three sons. Ninthly I do ordain and appoint my sons Reuben Ayres, Jonathan Ayres, and Bradley Ayres, the executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby utterly disallow & revoke all former wills & testaments. Ratifying & confirming this to be my last Will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this ninth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy-nine.

Signed Sealed & declared by the sd Ebenezer Ayres to be his last Will and Testament, in presence of us who in his

presence and of each other have subscribed our names.

Ebenezer Ayres. (L. S.)

Witnesses,

Elias Newman

Josiah Weed Scofield.

Personally appeared.

Will approved,

Abraham Davenport, Judge.

January 22, 1785.

Hinman's Early Settlers of Conn. Part 1.

Pages 90-91.

Ayer, John of Salisbury, Mass., 1640: Ipswich 1648, died at Haverhill in 1647.

Ayer, Robert & Thomas of Haverhill, admitted Freemen in 1668. (Farmer.)

Ayres, William, resided in North Main Street, Hartford, Conn., on lot No. 61, in 1651.

Ayer, John, of Stonington, Conn., purchased land in Windham of John Knowles of Windham, June 29, 1719. (old style.)

Ayres, John, Mr. John Alden, Sr., and Jr., Jo Alden of Duxborrow in the Colony of New Plymouth, are in the list of those who are able to bear arms in said Town in 1643.

Ayer, Rebecca, m John Aslett of Newbury, Mass., in 1648. (Farmer.)

Ayer, Robert, Peter, and Thomas, Freemen at Haverhill, May, 1666.

Ayres, Samuel, of Haverhill, Free, 1683.

Air, James, was received an inhabitant of Dover, N. H., in 1658.

Aires, Mr. John, of Massachusetts, Free, 1689-90

Ayres, Heirs, William, owned 5 acres of land in Hartford which he sold to Christopher Crave, embraced in a large tract given to said heirs, Andrew Sanford and William Clark, by the Town of Hartford before 1659.

Ayres, Travis, of Saybrook, was a deacon at Pautapaug in 1788, and died April 7, 1812, aged 89 years.

Ayres, Symon, aged 48, "Chyrurgeon" with Dorothy his wife, aged 38, and children; Marie 15 years old, Thomas 13, Symon 11, Rebecca 9, Christian 7, Anna 5, Benjamin 3, and Sarah Ayres 3 months old, embarked in the ship, Increase, for New England, April 15th, before 1640. This name found in several towns in Connecticut.

Ayre has two Coats of Arms, Ayer or Ayre, one--Ayre 5, and Ares one Coat of Arms.

Hollister, (See Rev. Dr. Chapin's History in which nearly all those families are given.)

Hollister's History of Connecticut, Page 505. Vol. 1.

Family names of some of the Planters of the Colonies of Connecticut and New Haven, previous to their Union in 1665. Ayres.

Stamford Probate Records, Book 14, page 29.

WILL OF BRADLEY AYRES.

I, Bradley Ayres, of Stamford in Fairfield County, State of Connecticut, being now advanced in years but of sound mind & memory do make this my last will & testament in the following manner. In the first place I order that all my just debts be paid.

Item. I give unto my loving wife Sarah, my best feather bed & the furniture thereunto belonging & so much of my household furniture as is necessary to keep house to be her own absolutely & also the use and improvement of one half of my buildings & the use and improvement of all my landed property during her natural life, that shall remain over and above what I have already disposed of.

I also give all my linen, sheeting, & pillows.

Item. I give and devise unto Polly Scofield, wife of Samuel Scofield, the one third part of my buildings to take possession of at my decease & one third part of my real estate & to take possession of it at my wife's decease.

I do hereby revoke all and any other Will but this & con-

stitute and appoint Abisha Scofield, Executor of this my last Will and Testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 10th day of March A. D. 1825.

Signed dated and declared to be my last Will & Testament in presence of

Reuben Scofield,

his

John L. Scofield.

Bradley = Ayres

Betsey Lockwood,

Mark.

Note. All descendants of Richard Ayres, Sen., of Stamford, are eligible as members of Patriotic Societies, of the Sons of the American Revolution, Daughters of the American Revolution, Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, &c.. &c.

Sarah Ayres, widow of Bradley Ayres, made a will, see Book 14, page 383, Stamford Records, April 26, 1831.

Gave to Cornelia Ingersoll, (my Niece), to Polly Scofield, wife of Epontus Scofield, of the State of New Jersey, (my Nephew) John Ingersoll, the residue to Polly Waterbury, wife of David Waterbury. Probate Court, Nov. 28, 1830.

FROM *F. W. Bailey's Early Conn. Marriages.*

Stamford, Ebenezer Ayres & Thankful Lockwood, Nov. 5, 1794.

“ Sally Ayres & Seth Weed, Nov. 26, 1794.

“ Amos Ayres & Hannah Lockwood, Nov. 16, 1797.

Preston & Griswold, Jonathan Ayres & Lydia Burton, Jany. 3, 1722-3.

“ “ Sarah Brown & Eliphalet Kellog of Canaan, Dec. 31, 1761.

“ “ Reuben Ayres & Abigail Scofield, Nov. 29, 1764.

“ “ Phebe Ayres & Hezekiah Reed of Danbury, May 5, 1768.

“ “ Mary Ayres & John Waring of Stanwich, Oct. 11, 1770.

“ “ Elizabeth Ayres & Billy Scofield of Pound Ridge, Nov. 3, 1774.

*Record of Land Sales, Stamford Town Clerk's Office,
Book A, Page 126.*

Witness these Presents that I, Richard Ayres, formerly of Stamford (& now uppon removal to the new plantation called Bedford) in the Colony of Connecticut & in ye County of Fairfield, have for a valueable consideration in hand, have sold all my right & title of land (by grant of ye town unto Joshua Hoit, Daniel Simkins, Samuel Finch, Abram Finch & myself, for to maintain ye flow yets in ye North field) I say south ye land lyeing in ye Swamp commonly called "Shaws Swamp," my right therein, I the aforesaid Richard Ayres doe hereby, Sell, alienate, assign & set over, ye aforesaid parcel of land from me my heirs, executors, administrators, & assigns, unto Joshua Hoit, Daniel Simkins, Abram Finch, to their heirs, executors, administrators, & assignees forever, quietly to possess & injoy in full & free maner, promising to free to ye said land from all taxes, rates, bargains, sales, mortguages or incumbrances, it so ever unto ye date hereof witch I the forenamed Ric Ayres have cause this bill of sale to be made and have set my hand delivering it as my deed in Stamford, it is further agreed to be understood it ye flood gates are allso goeth with ye land: as witness my hand this fourth of April 1684.

Signed this,

The Mark==of Richard Ayres.

Test,

Isac Finch==his mark.

Underwitten thus,

This written bill of sale is acknowledged by ye date above said before me,

John Bell.

Commissioner.

Charles B. Ayres, 216 Ogden Street Bridgeport, Conn., is in "Dan's Blue Book" published A. D., 1915, page 119.

Mary Ayres, wife of Stanley M. Ayres, died in Bridgeport, Conn., Jany. 8, 1901, b. May 6, 1874, Aged 26 yrs., 8 mo. 2 days.

New England Historical & Genealogical Register.

Vol. I, Page 56. Richard H. Ayer, res. Manchester, b Concord; Sheriff, 1823 to 1828 inc., Senator, 1818 to 1823; Rep. from Hookset several years; Counsellor, Merrimack Co., N. H.

“ Page 98. Mary Ayer, m Dr. Amos Gilman Gale of Manchester. Had one daughter.

Vol. II, Page 377. Samuel Ayres, son of John & Mary, d Andover, Mass., Sept. 5, 1670.

Vol. III, Page 41. Miss Ayres of Haverhill was wife of Dr. Jabez True. Had two children.

“ Page 195. Lucius Ayers, m Miss Ann M. Dean, both of Boston. (No date.)

“ Page 239. Robt. Ayer, Thos. Ayer, Peter Ayer of Haverhill made freemen, May 23, 1666.

“ Page 345. Samuel Ayres, Haverhill, made free-man May 16, 1683.

“ Page 350. John Aires, made freeman, March 22, 1689-90.

Vol. IV Page 225. Anne, dau. to Sir Anthony Ayer, of Agyer of Kent, in Gilbert, Lord Lumley, Duke of Norfolk, or Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Mathematician and Hydrographer, b 1539, lost in the Squirrel, Feby. 6, 1658.

Vol. V, Page 221, Lucy Ayres, m Samuel Otis, b Dec. 16, 1792, in St. Lawrence Co., N. Y. Had 15 children.

Vol. VI, Page 35. Ruth Ayer of Haverhill, N. H., m Nov. 5, 1728, James Davis. She d Apr. 28, 1730, leaving one child, Ruth.

“ Page 207. John Ayer of Haverhill, N. H., will proved Oct. 6, 1657. Wife, Hannah. Children; John, Nathaniel, Obadiah, Robert, Thomas, Peter, Hannah, Rebekah and Mary. “To Peter, the young sow whose ear hangs down, and all my feaggy meadow.” Obadiah & wife Hannah 1661. Thomas & Elizabeth 1663. John & wife, Sarah, May 16, 1659. John & wife, Mary, July 11, 1666.

Peter & wife, Hannah, March 19, 1668-9. John, late of Ipswich now of Quabog, 1672. Mary Ayres, ae 34, in 1668. Samuel Ayres, ae 45, in 1668. John, late of Haverhill, now, 1679, of Ipswich, wife, Mary. (Norf. Records, II. 238.) (John d in Brookfield, 1676. Wife, Susanna, inventory, March 29, 1676.) Robert, ae 86 in 1711, of Haverhill. Robert m Elizabeth, dau. of Henry Palmer, 1659. (See Hubbard.)

Vol. VI, Page 343. Martha Ayer, sister to Peter Eyer or Ayer, m Richard Hubbard, 1679.(?)

Vol. VII. Page 63. Ebenezer Ayer, Haverhill, N. H., marched with 86 other men under Capt. John Lovewell in quest of Indian enemy of Jany. 27, 1724. Returned to Boston, March 10, 1724. 15 killed, only 9 escaped unhurt.

“ Page 78. Samuel Aires, Sr., among those that have right to commonage at Ipswich, Feby. 18, 1678.

“ Page 79. John Aires, right used by Joseph Fellars.

“ Page 88. Robert Ayers m Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Palmer, July 10, 1680.

“ Page 120. Elizabeth Ayers, daughter of Edward Ayers, m Caleb Giffith, Oct. 30, 1701. Had 4 children.

“ Page 195. Hon. Richard H. Ayer, Manchester, N. H., d Feby. 5, 1853, aged 75. He was born Jany. 12, 1778, at Concord, N. H. Grandson of Samuel A., son of Richard, m Susanna, grand daughter of Rev. Christopher Sargent of Methuen.

“ Page 311. Peter Ayer m Hannah Allen, Oct. 8, 1659 at Salisbury, Mass.

“ Page 349. Nath. Aires took Oath of Allegiance at Newberg, 1678.

Vol. VIII, Page 95. Died, Hon. Samuel H. Ayer, Manchester, N. H., Oct. 4, 1851, aged 34, son of

Dr. Samuel Ayer, b at Portland, Me. Graduated 1839; read law with Gen. Pierce; began practice 1841; was speaker of the House of Rep. of New Hampshire.

Vol. VIII, Page 99. Love Ayers m Capt. John Kingsbury of Franklyn, Conn., April 2, 1679.

“ Page 225. Ebenezer Ayers of Newbury, Mass., m Dorcas Getchell, Oct. 5, 1710.

“ Page 227. Rebecca Ayer, dau. of John A. Ayer, m Oct. 8, 1648, John Aslett, or Alsbee, of Newbury, North Andover.

“ Page 234. Nathaniel Ayers & Mark Ayers signed petition, Feby. 20, 1689.

“ Page 242. Mary Ayer of Haverhill m Isaac Colman, b April 10, 1752.

“ Page 245. Gravestone at West Roxbury, Central Burying Ground, “Peters Hill,” reads: In Memory of Mr. Nathaniel Ayers of Boston, who died Aug. 10, 1800, ae 45.

Vol. IX, Page 61. Isaac Spofford & Mary Ayer. She was from Haverhill. He was a physician.

“ Page 86. Benj. Ayers, on petition, 11th mo., 4th day, 1668.

Vol. X, Page 356. Lorice (Ayres) Lane d Sept. 27, 1849.

Vol. XI, Page 255. Inscription over the grave on French Island, Canton River, China:

“Sacred to the Memory of Edward Ayers, who departed this life Aug. 11, 1855, ae 31.”

“ Page 358. Mary Ayres, Nov. 23, 1762, m Frederick King, third son of Constant King. (She was b Sept. 21, 1744.) They settled in Morristown, N. J. He was the first postmaster of Morristown, appointed by P. M. General Benjamin Franklin, 1st P. M. G. of U. S., which office he held until 1792. He d Apr. 4, 1796. His widow d Sept. 28, 1825.

Vol. XII, Page 251. John Ayres, Nov. 15, 1803, m Rebecca Lombard, dau. of Israel Lombard & Je-

mima Atkins. Rebecca b Sept. 24, 1783, d Nov. 15, 1803. (Barnstable or Hull.)

Vol. XII, Page 297. John Ayer, (or Eyers) Jr., at Haverhill, m Sarah Williams, dau. of John & Jane Williams, May 5, 1646.

Vol. XIII, Page 61. Rev. Mr. Ayer m Fanny Rogers, dau. of Rev. Zabdiel, b Oct. 2, 1792. Grad. Yale College, m Juliet Mitchell, Aug. 10, 1840. Removed to Charleston, S. C. Had 7 children by 1st wife, (Fanny m Rev. Mr. Ayer and d young.) By 2nd wife had 12 children. (19 in all.)

“ Page 118. Hannah Ayres, Oct. 17, 1681, m John Osgood, b Sept. 3, 1654. (Andover, Mass.)

“ Page 120. Martha Ayres of Haverhill, May 19, 1690, m Peter Osgood of Salem, Mass. He was b Aug. 30, 1663; was Deacon of the 1st Church, Dec. 15, 1718; was 7 years representative to the Gen'l Court from Salem. He d Sept. 24, 1753, ae 90. His widow d Sept. 10, 1762, ae 92. Will dated Feby. 11, 1752-3, proved Oct. 1, 1753. Executrix, his wife, Martha (Ayres) Osgood.

“ Page 159. Love Ayres, Apr. 2, 1679, m Joseph Kingsbury of Haverhill. He was about 1656. He was a book keeper for Capt. Simeon Wainwright of Haverhill in 1708, when Capt. W. was killed by Indians and his house burnt. He left Haverhill for Norwich, Conn., same year, left Haverhill June 14, 1708, d 1741, ae 85.

“ Page 181. Elisha Ayer d Dec. 18, (probably 1859) at Preston, Conn., ae 92 years. Was a teacher of Gen. Zachary Taylor, and in 1848 was author of a life of Gen. Taylor.

“ Page 211. John Ayers of Dorchester, m Mary Brastow Messinger, dau. of Daniel & Susanna H. Hinckley of Boston. Daniel d June 21, 1846, ae 78.

Vol. XIII, Page 359. Hon. Richard Hazen Ayer was eulogized by Rev. A. B. Fuller, Feby. 18, 1853, in the Unitarian Church, Boston.

Vol. XIV, Page 84. Phebe Ayers, d of Mark Ayers, m Jany. 11, 1695, James Chadburne Dame (Dam). He was a teacher. In 1846 he moved to Concord, N. H., where his wife d Oct. 30, 1854, ae 82 y., 8 mo., 12 days. He was b Newington, N. H., Aug. 25, 1770.

“ Page 223. Intentions of marriage from the records of Falmouth, (now Portland, Me.) Joshua Ayers with Mary Cole, both of Falmouth, Feby. 15, 1740-41. Thomas Ayer with Bathsheba Small, both of Falmouth, Dec. 29, 1749.

“ Page 311. 15 April, 1635. These parties hereafter expressed are to be transported to New England in ye Increase, Capt. Robert Lea, Master, having taken the oathes of Allegiance & Supremice. As also being conformable to the government and discipline of the church of England, whereof they brought testimony pr. cert. from ye Justice & Minister where their abodes have lately been. Viz.

Simeon Ayres, Cherugim,	48.
Dorothy “ “	38.
Marie “ “	15.
Tho. “ “	13.
Symon “ “	11.
Rebecca “ “	9.
Christian “ “	7.
Anna “ “	5.
Benjamin “ “	3.
Sarah “ “	3 mo.

Vol. XV, Page 56-57. (In making collections for the descendants of John Ayres or Ayer of Haverhill, I found several families of the name not connected probably with him, and I wish to pub-

lish these now to avoid confusion of distinct families. W. H. W.) Francis Foxcroft of Westward, ae 27, in 1665, had then m Barbara Eyre and had issue, William.

- [1] Moses Ayres of Dorchester, m Bethiah Millet, Aug. 3, 1666, and had Moses, b Sept. 10, 1667. His wife d Apr. 15, 1669. This was probably the one mentioned on the Town Records. "1680, Sept. 24, a contribution was taken up for Moses Ayres, being a captive." 1693-9, Moses Ayres & wife Elizabeth of Dorchester, sign various deeds recorded at Boston, and this I presume to be the son. May 11, 1704, Moses Ayres, late of Dorchester now of Boston, signs a deed and I presume his wife was then dead. In 1718, Moses Ayres, (and wife Elizabeth) only son of Moses Ayres of Boston, and Elizabeth (wife of David Franklin, mariner) only dau. of said Moses, join to sell land at Dorchester. This Elizabeth had m June 18, 1713, David Franklin, who is styled in notice of marriage "of Hull." Moses (3rd) m Sept. 4, 1718, Elizabeth Souther, and had at Boston, Moses, b July 12, 1723; William b Feby. 7, 1724-5; John b Nov. 20, 1726; Solomon b Feby. 6, 1727-8, I suppose his son Moses m, as in 1760, Mary, widow of Moses Ayres, house-wright, was made guardian of her children, Moses and Anne, ae 14 yrs. and over.

Vol. XV, Page 56. [2] Nathaniel Ayres joined the 2nd Church in Boston 1684-5; Dec. 13, 1708, Nathaniel Ayres and wife Amy, deed lands to cancel bonds given — Goodwin and to Hannah Jaffrey of Portsmouth, widow. Nov. 28, 1711, he motgaged lands to his son-in-law, Samuel Swasey, who had m his dau. Amy, Jan. 16, 1710-11. Feby. 28, 1738-9, Nathaniel Ayres administrator on estate of his father Na-

th'l A., blacksmith, "widow old and infirm." Land mortgaged to Sam Swasey, debt due Elnathan Ayres. I presume this was Nathaniel Ayres, buried at Copps Hill, who d Dec. 4, 1731, ae 67 yrs., 6 mo., according to Bridgeman's Epitaphs, as he may have mistaken 1731 for 1737, which was probably the time our Nathaniel died. Nathaniel, Jr., m Nov. 5, Eliza Kitts and had John, bapt. March, 1735-6; Joseph b Jany. 24, 1726-7; Margaret b Aug. 31, 1729; Nathaniel b Aug. 1, 1734. He was perhaps, the Nathaniel Ares of Needham, who m Anne, widow of — Tolman there, and had sons John and Aaron by her who in 1742-3 were to receive their portion of their mother's property from their half brother, Nathaniel Tolman, whose own brothers and sisters were Ebenezer, Thomas, Jemima, and Mary.

Vol. XV, Page 57. [3] Elnathan Ayres of Boston (mentioned in Nathaniel Sr.'s will) was probably a relative. He married Mary Jones, July 4, 1720, and had Nathaniel, b Jany. 5, 1722-3; Ammie (Amy) b Feby. 29, 1727-8.

[4] Edward Ayres was of Boston, at the same time, m Rebecca Marshall, April 26, 1716; had Mary b Feby. 16, 1716-7; Edward b Jany. 14, 1720-1; and by second wife, Hannah Eveleth, whom he m Nov. 5, 1724, had Edward b Aug. 19, 1724; Hannah b May 15, 1727; Sarah b Oct. 2, 1729; John b April 12, 1733; Joseph b April 11, 1743. His will was proved by his widow, Hannah, Nov. 8, 1745. He was a shipwright.

“ Page 57. [5]. Sept. 19, 1714, John Ayer of Groton, alias Stonington, Conn., and Hannah, his wife, only surviving dau. of Daniel Travis of Boston, sign a deed, from which it appears that Travis had 3 daughters, of whom Sarah d s. p., and Esther m John Barnard.

Vol. XV, Page 57. [6] 1720. Hannah Air executrix and late wife of John Shaw of Swansey, Co. Bristol, "who left a son John Shaw who went to sea and d a minor; leaving his property to his mother, gives land to grandson, Samuel Jackson, son of my daughter Hannah Jackson, whose maiden name was Hannah Mair." (Sic.)

" Page 57. [7] S. Ayres joined 2nd Church, March 3, 1677-8, and Oct. 12, 1707, Mary, daughter of Elizabeth Ayres, was bap. there. Nov. 5, 1710, John Ayres joined same church, and Aug. 10, 1711, John Ayers makes his will giving all his property to wife Mary; Aug. 12, 1711, John Ayres d aged 62, says Bridgman, and these dates seem to show these were all one person. Abigail Ayres d Jan. 2, 1767, aged 27; (Bridgman) Dec. 28, 1699, Ann Ayres m John Lawson; Dec. 20, 1706, John Ayres m Elizabeth Halsie; Feby. 27, 1711-2, Mary Ayres of Portsmouth and John Foster were published; March 8, 1714-5; Elizabeth Ayres m Capt. Thomas Alien of Truro.

" Page 57. July 4, 1720, Sarah Ayres, m Thomas Allen; John and Bridget Ayres had Bridget, b June 20, 1679; Elizabeth b Sept. 28, 1683.

" Page 57. [8] We now come to more recent immigrants. June 8, 1693. Philip Ayres, mariner, made his will being about going on a voyage, probably in the Ketch Prosperous, of which he had just bought a quarter, and left his property to the children of his brother, John Ayres, of Jersey, and his brother Thomas A., of the same Island. In 1711, James Ayres, late of Kent, England, now of Boston, was appointed adm. to his brother William Ayres, late of the Parish of St. Peters, Co. Kent, who had died on his passage hither. July 7, 1715, James (Ayres,) m Sarah Dispan (a name

called very strange by Savage) and I suppose it was his will which was proved May 4, 1759, being James of Londonderry, and names wife, sons William and Samuel, and four daughters.

Vol. XV, Page 57. [9] Savage mentions also Henry A., of Portsmouth, R. I., 1655, William of Hartford, 1651-9, and Samuel, an apprentice, who came over in 1637. All the rest mentioned in his article seem to be descendants of John of Haverhill, whom we propose to trace hereafter.

“ Page 57. Eyre. In addition to Savage's article on this name, I find the following: John, son of Simon, had five children who d young besides those named, and of these latter, Catherine m David Jeffries, and Bethia m John Wolley, March 18, 1713-4.

“ Page 58. Oct. 12 1696, John Ruggles and his wife, Martha, only child and heir of Richard Moseley, late of Boston deceased, and Maria, his wife, dau. of Simon Eyre, of said Boston, signed a deed of land to their uncle, John Eyre, who was heir to the other half. John E.'s will mentions his neice, Martha, wife of John Ruggles. Simon and Elizabeth Eyre had Elizabeth, b Oct. 30, 1690, at Boston. This was Simon, third of the name. Simon Eyre, Sr., seems to have left only 2 sons, Thomas and John, and his son, Simon, who died before him, had only one son, Simon, recorded. Thomas is said to have died s. p. in Viranin. John's only son, John, removed to Portsmouth, though perhaps he had at Boston, Sept. 14, 1733, by wife Anne, a son, John, and we are at a loss to find the parentage of the man we are recording, unless he be the son, Jonathan or Benjamin, two sons of the first Simon, of whom we know very little. Benjamin perhaps d y, but

Jonathan was educated for a surgeon, 1656, says Savage.

Vol. XV, Page 58. A Thomas Eyre (our enigma) of Boston had by wife Annie; Savile b Dec. 13, 1691; Thomas b July 13, 1694. Thomas Eyre (the son, no doubt) m Deborah Shelston, Feby. 12, 1714-5, and had several children who died, besides Thomas b March 31, 1727-8; Savile b May 18, 1730; Hannah b Oct. 13, 1720, who m a Hunt; and Deborah b July 26, 1726, who m John Dobell or Doble, Dec. 24, 1747. Dec. 15, 1752, adm. was granted on the estate of this Savile Eyre to his brother-in-law, Doble.

“ Page 145. Elizabeth Ayres, aged 26, embarked for Virginia in the Thomas, Henry Tavener, master, having been examined by the Minister of Gravesend touching their conformity in or Religion. (57 Emigrants all told.)

“ Page 285. Dr. Otis Ayer, formerly of New Hampton, N. H., now of Le Sueur, Minn., m Narcissa V. Smith, b Nov. 22, 1848.

“ Page 331. Gleanings No. 6, by W. H. W., 31. In my last, I noted several Ayres families, not descended from John of Haverhill. I have now to add another. Samuel Ayres, Sr., was of Ipswich, and his will proved March 29, 1697, mentions sons Samuel and Joseph, daughter Mary, and gr. dau. Susana Wait. Of these Samuel appears to have died s. p., as his will of Oct. 30, 1743, mentions wife, Mary, and sister Mary, and leaves all his property to the children of his brother Joseph, of whom Joseph is to have a double portion. But there was a John Ayres of Ipswich, who d Nov. 23, 1690, a cordwainer, who appointed his brother Joseph adm. and from the coincidence of names, I presume him to have been another son of Samuel, Sr. But again on Sept. 23, 1683, John Ayres of Ipswich (probab-

ly the same man) presented an adm. account of the estate of his son, John of Andover, deceased, who seems to have been young and unmarried, and who owed debts to his father, and to his brother Zachary. This latter item serves to identify that Zachary Ayres, who is said to have m Eliza Chase at Andover, June 27, 1678. Perhaps John, the father, had also lived at Andover, as we find Samuel, son of John, and Mary Ayres d there Sept. 5, 1670. We find by the Reg., Vol. VII, 78-9, that Samuel, Sr., and John were living at Ipswich in 1678, and I think we may presume that John was the eldest son of Samuel, but who was their son, Samuel, Sr.? If John were his son we must fix his probable age. If John's son Zachary was m in 1678, his father must have been 40 years old at least, i. e. b 1638, and Samuel, the supposed father of John, would be at least 20 years younger. In that case he could not be the apprentice who came here aged 15.

Vol. XV, Page 331. Now in all this confusion only a few things seem certain.

1. John of Ipswich, was probably son of Samuel, Sr., for, excepting the latter's son, we know of no Joseph to whom he could be brother.
2. Samuel, Sr., must in that case have been born as early as 1618, and was not the apprentice, unless the latter's age was incorrectly given or unless Zechariah of Andover was not married so soon. We must leave this part still in doubt, for others interested in the family to investigate.

We will now proceed to the descendants of John Ayer of Haverhill, who d March 31, 1657. He had children; John, Nathaniel, Obadiah, Robert, Thomas, Peter, Hannah, Rebecca and Mary. Rebecca m John Aslett, or Aislebec (see

Reg., VIII, p 227) Oct. 8, 1648. Of the sons, Nathaniel, I presume, d y as I find no trace of him. Savage has no corresponding person. Obadiah was of Newbury and had son John. Robert was of Haverhill and left large issue, all of whom I trust will be noted in Mr. Chase's promised history. The county records of Salem have several wills and inventories, especially, I would note, of his sons Samuel and Timothy.

Vol. XV, Page 331-332. Thomas m Elizabeth Hutchins April, 1657, and had John b May 4, 1657; Elizabeth b Dec. 23, 1659; Mary b March 22, 1661; Love b April 15, 1663; two sons, b in 1664, d same year; Thomas b June 9, 1666, and Samuel b July 11, 1671, d July, 1672. Thomas himself d Nov. 9, 1686. Peter was like the last named, settled at Haverhill, and by wife Hannah Allen, had Ruth, Hannah, Abigail, Mary, Samuel, William, Rachel, and Ebenezer. Thus far we have traced, adding much to Savage's account. The eldest son, John m 1st, Sarah Williams, and had a daughter Sarah by her. His second wife was Susannah Symonds, but by which wife respectively were his children, I do not know. He removed to Brookfield, was a Captain, and was killed by Indians, Aug. 3, 1675. His family was of course scattered, and we will now try to trace them. In May, 1703, his sons Samuel, John, and Thomas, were appointed adm., and in 1713, Thomas, Joseph, Mark, Edward and Nathaniel, brothers, claimed the estate. Samuel we know was dead in 1714, as it was then so stated by his son, Edward. John we may presume was also dead, and these seem to have been his oldest sons. In 1714 the heirs were Edward, son of Samuel, John, son of Edward, Abraham,

and Thomas, sons of Thomas, Nathaniel, son of Nathaniel, and John, William, and Benjamin, sons of Joseph. We will see where these children were settled after the Brookfield settlement was destroyed. Edward, Mark, and Nathaniel, sons of Capt. John, doubtless settled in New Hampshire, as Savage notes persons of these names as living there in 1685-9. Thomas went, without doubt, to Newbury and is the one mentioned by Savage, as we can hardly suppose there were two Thomases each having a son Abraham. Joseph's locality is still unknown. Nathaniel and John perhaps came to Boston, and were the persons mentioned in Gleanings No. 26, (ante pp 56-7) as the circumstances agree. Viz., Nathaniel having a son of the same name, and John's dying in 1711 without children. The Boston John's birth seems conclusive and he died just before the date of the deed in which his name is omitted from the list of heirs.

There remains now only Samuel, when I presume to have settled, like Thomas, at Newbury, and to be the one mentioned by Coffin, who had a son Jabez b there, Dec. 27, 1690; because a Jabez Ayres, the only one I have found yet, settled at Brookfield when it was resettled, and tradition as given by his grandson, says that he was a descendant of Capt. John. I can hardly conceive of any other person than a descendant returning to the town. I am aware that this record is very incomplete and largely conjectural, but I hope some one may be interested enough to confirm or confute my conclusions.

Jabez Ayres of Brookfield, by his wife Rebecca, had Stephen b Aug. 3, 1719; Eliphalet b Mar. 4, 1722; William b Feby. 28, 1723-4; Micajah

b Sept. 24, 1729; Onesephorus b Apr. 7, 1733; Stephen b Feby. 12, 1735-6; Jabez b Apr. 26, 1737. Of these, Onesephorus m, Feby., 1759, Anne Goodale, and had ten children, of whom John, b April 10, 1779, m Nov. 5, 1803, Rebecca Lombard (see Reg. XII, p 251) and d Aug. 22, 1830; leaving one son John, and three daughters Lovice, Mary and Rebecca, of whom Lovice m Charles O. Whitmore of Boston. [Note. It will be noticed that Jabez had a son Stephen, as had also his supposed father, such coincidences strengthen any conjectural pedigrees.]

Vol. XVI, Page 144. Moses Ayres, for his father, land grant.

“ Page 314: John Ayres, merchant of Boston, m Mary Brastow Messinger, and had William Austin, dec., Katherine Dorener, John, Nathaniel Henry, and Lionel.

Vol. XVII, Page 239. Isabell Ayres m Thomas Loyd, Aug. 16, 1724.

“ Page 254. Susanna Ayre m Jonathan Stanhope, Apr. 16, 1656, at Sudbury.

“ Page 282. Mar. 4, 1863, monthly meeting, N. E. H. & G. Society; present, Rev. Adams Ayer of Boston.

“ Page 307-8-9 10. “The Ayres and Ayer Families.” by W. H. Whitmore, Esq. “Savage in his account makes mistake. Capt. John Ayres of Ipswich & Brookfield was not the son of John Ayer of Haverhill.”

Descendants of John Ayer of Haverhill.

John Ayer had children, 2, John: 3, Robert; 4, Thomas; 5, Peter; 6, Obadiah; 7, Nathaniel, 8, Hannah; 9, Rebecca, who m John Aslet, Oct. 8, 1648; and 10, Mary. His will was proved Oct. 6, 1657, (see Reg. VII, p 207) and in 1692, his widow Hannah deeds land to son

Robert, and was joined by children John of Ipswich, Peter & Nathaniel of Haverhill. This shows conclusively that John, Sr., had a son John, (Not the Brookfield Capt. John, who was killed by the Indians in 1675) who was living in 1692. The records show this also by giving his marriages and issue.

John Ayer, Jr., m May 5, 1646, Sarah Williams, and had John b March 18, 1654-5; Joseph b March 16, 1658-9; and Sarah b Jany. 17, 1661. His wife dying July 25, 1662, he m 2nd, Mary Wooddam, March 26, 1663, and had Samuel who d at Andover Oct. 6, 1670. (Reg. II, p 377) I presume he was of Ipswich, 1693-4.

Robert Ayer of Haverhill m Elizabeth Palmer, Feby. 27, 1650, and had Elizabeth b Nov. 10, 1652; Samuel b Nov. 11, 1654; Mehitabel b Sept. 14, 1656; Timothy b Oct. 2, 1659; a daughter b and d July 9, 1662; Hannah b Jany. 26, 1663, d Mar. 10, 1675-6; and Mary b Jany. 15, 1667, d April 14, 1668. His wife died April 24, 1705.

Thomas Ayer of Haverhill m April 1, 1656, Elizabeth Hutchins and had John b May 12, 1657, at Newbury; Elizabeth b Dec. 23, 1659; Mary b Mar. 22, 1660-1; Love b Apr. 15, 1663; two sons b Jany. 16, 1664-5 d days after; Thomas b June 9, 1666; Samuel b July 11, 1671, d July 15, 1672. He died Nov. 9, 1686.

Peter Ayer of Haverhill m Nov. 1, 1659, Hannah Allen, and had Ruth b Oct. 30, 1660; Hannah, b Aug. 21, 1662; Abigail b July 4, 1664; Mary b Aug. 6, 1666; Martha b Mar. 1, 1667-8; Samuel b Sept. 28, 1669; William b Sept. 23, 1673, d Nov. 20, 1675; Rachel b Oct. 18, 1675, d May 21, 1678; Ebenezer b May 22, 1678, d Oct., 1695. He d Jany, 1698-9.

Obadiah Ayer of Haverhill m March 19, 1660-1, Hannah Pike, and had John b March 2, 1662-3 (at Newbury); Sarah b March 5, 1664-5, d Feby. 13, following.

Vol. XVII, Page 308. A son b Nov. 1, 1666; d 14th of same month; Samuel b Sept. 13, 1667, d Dec. following. He moved to Woodbridge, New Jersey, and had there a son b Oct., 1670; a child b April 4, 1674; Thomas b Oct. 3, 1675; Mary b Feby. 16, 1680, d Feby. 23, 1698-9; Sarah b April 13, 1683, d Nov. 8 following; and a daughter b Sept. 7, 1685: I presume two of these unnamed children were Obadiah and Joseph, who with John and Samuel, settled at Woodbridge.

Nathaniel Ayer of Haverhill m Tamesin Turloar May 10, 1670, and had Hannah b June 2, 1671; Hannah b Dec. 19, 1672; Elizabeth b Aug. 19, 1764; Nathaniel b Nov. 15, 1676; Abiah b Feby. 5, 1578-9; Obadiah b Jan. 30, 1690, d April following; Ruth b Dec. 30, 1680, d April 24, 1682; a child b Sept. 5, 1683, d Sept.; Benjamin b Aug. 9, 1684, d June 17, following; Mary b Sept. 9, 1687; Ruth, again, b May 12, 1689; his wife d Dec. 13, 1700, and he died Nov. 17, 1717.

I shall not attempt to trace the marriages and issue of these grandchildren of John Ayer, Sr., though I have them, except in one or two instances.

John son of John Ayer died, no doubt, unmarried, as on Sept. 23, 1683, his father presented his inventory. (Reg. XV, 331 lines, 11-18.) Zechariah Ayer, another son of John, was alive at Newbury, Oct. 24, 1696.

I now proceed to the family whose name was commonly spelt Ayres. I have already shown (Reg. XV, 56) that there was a Moses Ayres

of Dorchester, 1687, whose son came to Boston and left issue. There were also at Ipswich, Samuel and John Ayres, living at the same time, but between whom no relation is known to have existed.

Samuel Ayres, Sr., of Ipswich (perhaps the apprentice mentioned by Savage) had Samuel b Sept. 14, 1658; John b May 1661, Joseph b Oct. 29, 1664; Mary b June 22, 1667; and Susan, who m Thomas Wait, Nov. 21, 1677. He d Feby. 17, 1696-7, and perhaps he had m a second wife, Mary Johnson of Hampton, Dec. 14, 1681. Of his three sons, John, no doubt, d Nov. 23, 1690, and made his brother, Joseph, his executor. (Reg. XV, 331, line 8.) He was a cordwainer, and I think did not marry.

Samuel Ayres of Ipswich m, I suppose, widow Mary Fuller (Pub. June 23, 1721) and had Samuel b Feby. 17, 1722-3, d Dec. following; Lydia b July 31, 1728, d Aug. 10, following; Samuel b Oct. 1, 1732, d Nov. 12, following. He d Oct. 21, 1743, aged 87, and left his property to his brother Joseph's children. The dates and circumstances seem conclusive that this was the son of Samuel, Sr.

Joseph Ayres of Ipswich, a tailor, m Margery ———, and had Mary b Aug. 10, 1694; Sarah b May 6, 1696; Elizabeth b Sept. 21, 1699; Deborah b April 8, 1701; Joseph baptized Nov. 1705. He d March 4, 1730. If these records be properly placed, it would seem that Samuel Ayres left but one grandson, while John Ayer had fourteen, all but one of whom married.

I now turn to Capt. John Ayres of Ipswich and Brookfield. I have shown that Savage was wrong in giving him Sarah Williams for a

wife. It has been suggested that he was the John Eyre, grocer, of Norwich, England, aged 40 in 1637, who went to Holland, (Reg. XIV, 327) but this seems highly improbable. I notice in the Historial Collection of the Essex Institute, Vol. 1, 95, that William Lampson of Ipswich died leaving 8 children before March 29, 1659, and his widow Sarah desired to marry one Thomas Hartshorne of Reading, but her brothers William Fellows and John Ayres opposed it, 1661. Now as John Ayres m a Symonds, and we learn of no other daughters of Symonds except those recorded by Savage, it seems probable that this Sarah Lamson was own sister of John Ayres. We learn from deeds at Salem, that John Ayres lived at Ipswich, 1648, and as a tenant on Mr. John Norten's farm. In Nov., 1672, he seems to have sold out all his rights in the town, including those derived from his father in law, Mark Symonds, and he was killed by Indians Aug. 3, 1675. I find on the original inventory by his widow "I have seven sons and one daughter." She died Feby. 8, 1682-3. I suspect that she was related to Samuel Symonds, at least Mrs. Rebecca Symonds, his widow, having the distribution of some charity, gave a portion of it in 1682 to Mrs. Ayres. I have already (Reg. XV, 332) shown from deeds the names of these eight children. They were John, Samuel, Thomas, Joseph, Edward, b Feby. 12, 1658; Mark b Dec. 14, 1661; Nathaniel b July 6, 1664. Susannah, the daughter, m a Day and had a son Robert Day of New Roxbury, 1716.

John Ayres, I suppose, was of Ipswich, and had by wife Mary, a child b Sept., 1677; Abigail b May 14, 1680. Ruth d Dec., 1685. He

seems to have had no issue, and I think d at Boston, Aug. 12, 1711, aged 62, but I am not sure that I identify the right man.

Samuel Ayres of Newbury m, March 21, 1677, Abigail, daughter of William Fellows, probably his own cousin, by whom he had Mary b Jan. 13, 1677-8; John b March 16, 1678-9; William b Jan. 26, 1681-2; Ephraim b Feby. 13, 1686-7; Stephen b March 13, 1689; Jabez b Dec. 27, 1690; Samuel, Joseph, Ebenezer and Edward, these names I add from a deed of Oct. 5, 1717, of the mother and brothers of Stephen, to his widow. [I may here add that Jabez is recorded as the child of Samuel and Sarah Ayres, yet his first wife was Abigail, his widow was Abigail, and in 1710 William Fellows in a deed mentions "my brother-in-law Samuel Ayres, who m with my sister," and I think it more probable that the clerk made an error, and that Samuel had three wives, two of the same name, and married the second so soon after the death of the first. I have given (Reg. XV, 332) the descendants of this Jabez.] Thomas Ayres of Newbury m Hannah Errington, Mar. 21, 1677. Thomas b Jan. 25, 1678-9; Hannah b Aug. 2, 1680; Rebecca b May 27, 1682; a daughter b at Ipswich, June, 1686; Abraham b June 18, 1688; Sarah b Aug. 29, 1690; Mehitabel b April 5, 1697.

Joseph Ayres of Ipswich m Sarah Caldwell, June 9, 1684, and had Sarah b Aug. 5, 1685; Elizabeth b Jan. 28, 1687, m Aaron Kimball, Feby. 5, 1716-7; John b Feby. 26, 1692-3; William b Sept. 13, 1696; and Benjamin b Dec. 16, 1700.

Page 310. I think he m a second wife, widow Hannah Dutch, pub. Apr. 21, 1714. A deed

recorded at Worcester, 1741, but dated Jan'y. 14, 1716, is from Thomas, Mark, and Edward Ayres, all of Portsmouth, Nathaniel Ayres, blacksmith of Boston, Samuel of Ipswich, son of Samuel Ayres, deceased, and Robert Day of New Roxbury, whose mother was Susannah Ayres, to Joseph Ayres of Ipswich selling all the land at Brookfield, formerly possessed by our honored father, John Ayres. Of Mark and Edward I know only that they were of Portsmouth and Kittery. Nathaniel of Boston I indentified in a previous note (Reg. XV, 56.)

I will notice but one or two of these grandsons of Capt. John Ayres, whose names may be confounded with others. We have seen that John Ayer, Jr., went to Ipswich after Capt. John Ayres had removed, this causing one confusion. We now see that Samuel Ayres, Sr., the apprentice, no doubt had sons, Samuel and Joseph married at Ipswich, at the same time that Capt. John Ayres two sons of the same names had families. I hope I have kept them distinct, and indentified them by reference to deeds. A third Samuel Ayres, son of Samuel and Abigail (Fellows) and grandson of Capt. John Ayres, m Elinor Randall of Ipswich, June 7, 1715, and had Marth b March 2, 1718; John b Nov. 22, 1719, d Feby. 20, 1720; John b Sept. 17, 1721; Elizabeth b Oct. 6, 1723, d 9th of same month. His wife d Oct. 31, 1734, and he married Hannah Gold, published Dec. 31, 1737.

Jabez Ayres m Rebecca Kimball, Dec. 8, 1718, and lived at Beverly, whence he removed to Brookfield. A deed dated June 2, 1821, shows that she was the daughter of Henry Kimball of Haverhill. The record shows that

Henry Kimball m Hannah Marsh, Dec. 14, 1677, and had Hannah b Oct. 7, 1678; Mary b July 24, 1680; Judith b June, 1682; Elizabeth b March 21, 1683-4; Sarah b Sept. 13, 1686; Abigail b April 7, 1689; John b Sept. 27, 1691; Rebecca b Oct. 12, 1694. His wife and son, John, were killed March 15, 1698-9. She was the daughter of Onesiphorus Marsh, who mentions in his will his grand-daughter, Rebecca Kimball, and this explains why she names her child, Onesiphorus Ayres. Onesiphorus Ayres of Brookfield m Anna Goodale, 1759. She was the daughter of Solomon Goodale and b June 18, 1740. Her father was son of John Goodale (b Aug. 10, 1681) who m Sept. 8, 1703, Elizabeth, daughter of John Witt, and d May 11, 1752. John Goodale was son of Zachariah and Elizabeth (Beauchamp) Goodale, and grandson of Robert and Katherine Goodale.

Samuel Goodale m Anne, (Hinde) widow of Samuel Walker, May 18, 1732, of whom more anon.

Vol. XVIII, Page 21. Mary Ayers m David Potts, son of John Potts of Penna.

“ Page 166. “Moses Eyers, of Dorchester (1688) was taken captive by the Indians.”
 “The examination of Moses Eyers in ye County of Suffolk, aged twenty-one years, taken ye 22 day of Oct., 1688.” This was no doubt the Moses Ayres b Sept. 10, 1667. (Ante Reg. XV, 56)

Vol. XIX, Pages 28-29. Extracts from the records at Woodbridge, N. J., by N. A. Whitehead of Newark, Jany., 1865.

1. Obadiah Ayres and Hannah had a son b Oct. 1670; a son b Apr. 4, 1674; Thomas b Dec. 17, d Oct. 3, 1675; Mary b Feby.

1680, d Feby. 23, 1698-9; Sarah b Apr. 13, 1683, d Nov., 1683; a daughter (?) Sarah, b Sept. 7, 1685. He d Nov. 14, 1694. His wife died May 31, 1689. [Note this Obadiah was of Newbury, son of the first John Ayer, and m Hannah, d of Capt. John Pike of N. and Woodbridge. He had at Newbury, John b March 2, 1663. He was no doubt father of Obadiah, John and Joseph, whose family record follows. W. H. W.]

2. John Ayres m Mary Walker, Feby, 1689-90, and had John b April 1, 1691; Thomas b Jany. 21, 1693; Patience b Apr. 22, 1697; Francis b Mar. 15, 1698-9; Nathaniel b March 4, 1700; Moses b Jany. 3, 1706; Aaron b July 14, 1708.

3. Obadiah Ayres m Johanna F———, April 28, 1694, and had Hannah b Jany. 18, 1694-5; Sarah b Jany, 8, 1696, d Jany. 1696-7; Mary b Feby. 23, 1698, d Nov. 15, 1704; Rachel b May 23, 1701; Obadiah and Joanna, twins, b Dec. 25, 1703; Robert b July 18, 1706; Mary b Dec. 29, 1708; Rebecca b Nov. 4, 1710; Benajah b Nov. 17, 1715.

4. Joseph Ayres m Phebe Camp, Jany. 5, 1698, and had Phebe b March 5, 1699; Joseph b March 18, 1701; Jonathan b May 29, 1704; David b Jany. 2, 1707; Zebulon b Aug. 4, 1708.

5. Samuel Ayres and Elizabeth had Rhoda, b April 12, 1700; David b May 25, 1702; Elizabeth b Sept. 10, 1703; James b May 2, 1706, or 1716; Samuel b Oct. 25, 1707; Rachel & Jacob b June 19, 1710; Benjamin b Oct. 31, 1712.

6. John Ayres m Mary Creshaw, Jany. 17, 1716-17, and had John b June 4, 1719.

7. Obadiah Ayres, Jr., m Elizabeth Compton,

Feb'y. 15, 1716-7, and had Patience b Dec. 10, 1717; Elizabeth b April 28, 1720. [Note. She was probably the one who was murdered July 5, 1750. See Whitehead's East Jersey, p 318.]

Vol. XIX, Page 59. Thomas Ayer, Jr., m Ruth Corliss.

“ Page 90. Hannah Ayres m Rev. Alvan Lawson, b Weston, Mass., Nov. 18, 1792. He died in Dedham, July 18, 1864, ae 71.

“ Page 280, Oct., 1864. Current Events. 1. The enemy attacked Genl. Ayres' div. of the 5th Corps, also Gregg's Cavalry and in both instances driven back.

Vol. XX, Page 65. John Ayres m Susannah Warner.

“ Page 160. Second Precinct of Brookfield Tax List, 1750. William Ayres, Esq., Capt. Moses Ayres, Lieut. William Ayres., Deacon Benjamin Ayres, Onesiphorus Ayres, Moses Ayres, Jr.

“ Page 161. The highest taxes were William Ayres, £126.9. Capt. Moses Ayres, £92.19.

Vol. XXII, Page 25. Church Records of Newington, N. H. Marriages. Rebecca Ayres m Hatevil Nutter, June 28, 1727, of Newington.

“ Page 26. Edward Ayres m Mary Row, Nov. 1, 1742, all of Newington.

“ Page 27. Samuel Ayres m Phebe Neal, Apr. 7, 1768, both of Portsmouth.

“ Page 117. Officers and men in the expedition against Louisburg in 1745. In Capt. Moses Pierson Company, John Ayres. In Capt. Peter Staples Company, John Ayers.

“ Page 157. ——— married at Newington, N. H. Sept. 4, 1766, Mark Ayer and Elizabeth Walker of Newington.

“ Page 158. Jan. 9, 1772, Dependence Ayers, of Portsmouth, m Elizabeth Nutter of Newbury.

- Vol. XXII, Page 301. May 9, 1725, Mehitable, d to Thomas & Hannah Ayer bapt. Oct. 2, 1726, Rebecca Ayer admitted to full communion.
- “ Page 343. John Ayers was m to Mary Creshan, Jany. 17, 1716. His son, John, b June 2, 1719, in Woodbridge, Middlesex Co.
- “ Page 447. Mary Ayres received to full communion, Feby 18, 1728, in church at Newington, N. H.
- Vol. XXIII, Page 91. Julia A. Ayres of New Canaan, Conn., m in 1841, Josiah Mason Carter, b in New Canaan, June 19, 1813; Atty. at law; d in Norwalk in 1868.
- “ Page 271. Rebecca Ayres m Joseph Moses, Aug. 17, 1712, both of Portsmouth.
- “ Page 272. Susanna Ayres m John Cutt, Sept., 1714, both of Portsmouth.
- “ Page 393. Abraham Ayres m Mary Jackson, Oct. 18, 1716, both of Portsmouth.
- “ Page 395. Edward Ayres m Hannah Jose, Oct. 2, 1718, both of Portsmouth. Mehitable Ayres m Abner Senter, Apr. 19, 1718, she of P., he of Ipswich. Johanna, wife of Edward Ayers, d Jany., 1718-9.
- Vol. XXIV, Page 13. Edward Ayres m Margaret Williams, Feby. 23, 1719, at Portsmouth.
- “ Page 15. Phebe Ayres m Jos. Sherborn, Feb. 15, 1721, at Portsmouth, N. H.
- “ Page 18. Hannah Ayers m Nathaniel Fellows, July 16, 1724, both of Portsmouth.
- Vol. XXV, Page 117. Hoply Ayres of Portsmouth m Mary Frost of New Caster, Oct. 4, 1730.
- “ Page 192. Catherine Ayres m John Battles, his 2nd wife had 5 children. Resided in Stoughton, removed to Western, N. Y., and died 1823, ae 73 years.
- “ Page 285. Edward Ayer adm. to full communion, Mar. 14, 1742, Newington.

- Page 286. Ruth, d of Edward & Mary Ayers, bap. Aug. 14, 1743.
- Vol. XXVI, Page 26. E. Ayer, commander of Schr. Rover, 6 men, 1779. (?)
- Vol. XXVIII, Page 241. Jabez Ayres of Rawley & wife Rebecca, sold land.
- “ Page 255. Ruth Ayers, May 11, 1735, admitted to Church. Hannah Ayers, Nov. 16, 1741, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 256. Samuel Ayers, April 4, 1742, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 285. James & Frederick Ayer, chemists, Lowell, presented a bell, one of the chimes in St. Anne's Church, Lowell, Mass., 1857, weight 460 lbs. “Ayers Bell, Omnibus que presunt sequimur.”
- “ Page 356. See Schuyler Family, by Joel Munsell, privately printed from N. Y. G. & B. Rec., 1874. Vol. VIII, p 11, Ayres.
- “ Page 417. Edward Ayers, son of Thomas Ayres, bap. 1716, Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 418. Thomas Ayres Sen., Thomas Ayres, bapt. 1718, Greenland, N. H.
- Vol. XXIX, Page 31. Mary, dau. of Thomas Ayres, bapt. 1731, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 33. Olive, dau. of Thomas Ayres, bapt. 1735, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 35. Olive, dau. of Thomas Ayres, bapt. 1742, at Greenland, N. H.
Thomas, son of Thomas Ayres, bapt. 1742, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 37. Dependence, son of Thomas Ayres, bapt. Nov. 11, 1750, at Greenland, N. H.
Stephen, son of Thos. Ayres, bapt. Sept. 1, 1751, at Greenland, N. H.
- “ Page 107. Wm. Ayers, Wm. Ayres 2nd, Moses Ayres, Jr., minute men, organized at Brookfield, 14 Nov., 1774.

- Vol. XXIX, Page 256. Will of John Bigg of Midstone, County Kent, Aug. 17, 1640. "To William Ayerst, fifty pounds," &c., &c.
- " Page 313. Olive Ayers, 2nd wife of Winthrop Marcy. (1799?)
- Vol. XXX, Page 339. John Ayres sent with others by General Rufus Putnam, Feby. 20, 1779, to Capt. Flowers for service.
- " Page 421. John Aires witness to agreement to exchange land, July. 28, 1650-1.
- " Page 421. Notes & Queries, 2nd Sec., Vol. XII, Page 26, it is stated that, March 27, 1654, at Frampton, Lincolnshire, there were chosen for Head Borough, John Ayre & others.
- " Page 422. News Letter, June 23, 1726. Several lots of Woodland for sale by Nathaniel Ayres, Boston, or William Ayres, Brookfield.
- Vol. XXXI, ——— Ayres m Elizabeth Hale.
- " Page 237. Talcott Pidigree in England & America, from 1558 to 1876, pub. by Weed, Parsons & Co., Albany, 1876, (8 Vol., Page 316, Index) gives records of Ayer family & others. Mentions Mrs. Betsey Ayre assisting editor.
- " Page 238. Mentions Mrs. Betsey (Corliss) Ayre of Haverhill, (See Corliss pedigree.)
- " Page 397. Thomas Ayres, mentioned as settling at Lauries, Isle of Wight Plantation, Virginia, Nov. 21, 1621.
- Vol. XXXII, Page 163. Zach. Ayers on Tax List, Newbury, N. H., Aug., 1688. 1 Head, 1 house, 5 acres, 2 cows, 2 1 yr. olds, 3 sheep.
- " Page 164. Samuel Ayres, 1 head, 1 house, 57 acres, 3 horses, 4 oxen, 5 cows, 1 3 yr. old, 4 2 yr. olds, 16 sheep, 7 hogs.
——Ayres, horses & cattle.

- Vol. XXXIII, Page 39. Peter Ayres. Prize of (ship) Franklin. (See Register, Vol. XXX, 367, of Cooper's Naval History, Vol. I, 71) in Fornton Prison, Eng., Jany. 19, Feby. 18, 1779.
- “ Page 231. Samuel Ayres (son of James of Haverhill) m Anna Hazen, May 4, 1717.
- “ Page 232. Peter Ayer of Norwich, Conn., m Martha Hazen, July 3, 1725.
- Vol. XXXIV, Page 112. Reminiscences of James C. Ayer, of the town of Ayer. James Cook Ayer was b Groton, Conn., now Ledyard, May 5, 1818, d Winchester, Mass., July 3, 1878, ae 60.
- “ Page 126. Geo. B. Ayres mentioned, 1879.
- “ Page 346. Romeyn Beck Ayres m Emily M. G. Dearborn, Aug. 14, 1849.
- Vol. XXXV, Page 97. James Ayres mentioned.
- “ Page 125. Thomas Ayres, Taxes, mentioned, Sept. 6, 1687.
- “ Page 333. Samuel Ayres on petition, Oct. 10, 1673.
- “ Page 334. John Ayres mentioned, Oct. 9, 1670.
- “ Page 338. John Ayres of Brookfield, brother in law of John Warner.
- Vol. XXXVI, Page 285. Louvoicea of Saratoga, Ill., dau of Wm. H. and Eliza Jane Ayres, m Rev. Dana Sherrill, Dec. 23, 1873. She was b Mar. 24, 1842.
- “ Page 326. Ellis & Allied Families, by Miss S. E. Titcomb, Springfield, Mass.; one of the allied families is Ayer. July, 1882, to be issued.
- “ Page 410. Mentions Dr. James B. Ayer of Boston, Oct., 1882.
- Vol. XXXVII, Page 399. James Aires m Sally Goodwin, 1798, at Winchester, N. H.

- Vol. XXXVIII. Page 38. John Ayres, soldier in King Philip's War, near Brookfield, July 1675.
- “ Page 43. Ayres mentioned as killed.
- “ Page 119. Hon. Caleb R. Ayer of Cornish, Me., d Oct. 5, 1883, ae 70 yrs., son of Capt. James Ayer of Newfield, whose father was Elisha Ayer, grantee and pioneer of that town. Caleb was member of State Senate, 1847-1848; (president 1848) in 1856 was Secy. of State; in 1868-9-70, was County Attorney for York County.
- “ Page 293. Thomas Eayre of Dundridge, Bucks Co., Exe. to Baldwin will.
- “ Page 237. Martha (Caldwell) Ayres, wife of Danl. Rindge, 1720? of Ipswich.
- “ Page 282. Margaret Ayers m Daniel Philbrick; d 1804; b 1726.
- “ Page 417. Simon Ayres, Wm. Ayres, Anne Ayers, Mary Ayers, Richard Ayres, mentioned in will of Thomas Ayres of the Parish of Froome, in County of Somerset, Jany. 14, 1638. Symon Eyre, of County Dorst., April 29, 1659, will mentions William Eyre, wife Joan, Mary, dau.-in-law, John Eyre.
- “ Page 419. Will of Richard Crouch, parish of St. Giles, Oct. 27, 1660, mentions his sister, Elizabeth, wife of Richard Ayres.
- Vol. XXXIX, Page 239. Deborah, dau. of Capt. John Weeks, m Wm. Ayres.
- “ Page 386. Lydia Aeres of Salem, Mass., m Wm. West, made deposition that Wm. was taken prisoner, Apr. 8, 1707.
- Vol. XL, Page 110. The Virginia Hist. Soc. announce that

in 1886 will issue its annual publication, Vol. V.

The name of Ayer will appear with others.

Vol. XL, Page 191. Zechariah Ayres, soldier in King Philip's War, Feby. 29, 1675-6.

“ Page 341. Pennsylvania Genealogies, 1886, mention name of Ayres.

“ Page 412. Lovice Ayres, d of John & Rebecca, d Sept. 27, 1849. m Chas. O. Whitmore of Boston, b at Bath, Me., Nov. 7, 1802, d Nov. 14, 1883.

Vol. XLIII, Page 98. Geo. D. Ayers elected member of N. E. H. & G. Soc., Oct. 3, 1888.

“ Page 275. Zechariah Ayres and Samuel Aires, soldiers in King Philip's War, Aug. 24. 1676.

Vol. XLIV, Page 93. Isabel Aire mentioned in will, Aug. 23, 1651.

“ Page 267. Mrs. Ayres buried, First Ch. Elizabeth, N. J., Jany. 18, 1775.

“ Page 269. Mary Ayres buried, First Ch. Elizabeth, N. J., Nov. 10, 1776.

“ Page 358. Child of Samuel Ayres, Elizabeth, N. J., Oct. 3, 1777.

Vol. XLV, Page 3. Martha (Caldwell) Ayres, widow of Stephen Ayres, m 2nd, Daniel Ridge. He was killed by Indians, July 24, 1724, and his widow Martha, m John Wood, 1726.

“ Page 48. Son of Samuel Ayres buried, Elizabeth, N. J., Feby. 13, 1793.

“ Page 50. Samuel Ayres buried, Elizabeth, N. J., Sept. 20, 1800.

Page 165. Who were the parents of Elizabeth Ayer of Haverhill, b 1748, m Jacob Ela?

Vol. XLVI. Page 134. Baptized at Stoughton, Mass., May 30, 1802, Willard, Leonard, and Martha Fisher, ch. of Jesse and Mehitable Ayres.

Vol. XLVII, Page 34. Ephraim Ayers with Capt. York in his Majesty's Service, Jany. 18, to May 11, 1725.

- Vol. XLVII, Page 239-241. In memoriam of James Ayer, b Oct. 4, 1815, d Dec. 31, 1891, privately printed, 1892. 4 to pp 58.
- “ Page 508. 1682, Mr. Samuel Hall died at Langford near Malden, Essex Co., England; was sometime resident in Massachusetts; bequeathed in will, 33 shillings to Susannah, widow of Thomas Ayres, also slain.
- Vol. XLVIII, Page 76. Benjamin Ayer of Alva, Me., grad. Bowdoin Col., Me., 1826. Information of wanted, Jany., 1894.
- “ Page 214. Peter Ayers' wife, d of Wm. Allen, mentioned.
- “ Page 252. Will of Thomas Brett, late of Terling in Essex, Gent., Jany. 15, 1615. Gave 10 pounds to Alice Ayres, dau. of John Ayres, Susan Ayres, mother of said Alice, to have yearly use of the same until Alice marries or reaches the age of 21 years.
- “ Page 282. Peter Ayre on Muster Roll, May 2, to Nov. 14, 1722.
- “ Page 284. Ephra Ayers, Sentries, on Muster Roll, Feb. 28, 1721-2, to Nov. 20, 1722.
- Vol. XLIX, Page 186. Peter Ayers on Muster Roll, June 16 to Nov. 9, 1725.
- Vol. LI, Page 45. Inhabitants Portsmouth, N. H., 1711; Nathl. Ayres, Moses Ayres, Edward Ayres, Mark Ayres.
- “ Page 178. Ruth Ayers d 1786. m in Hardwick, Seth Woodward, in Dana, Mass., Aug. 25, 1778.
- “ Page 462. Obadiah Ayer, Cumberland, Nova Scotia, m Hannah Swansey, Newburyport, July 15, 1771.
- Vol. LIII, Page 168. Moses, son of Moses & Abigail Aeres, (Ayers) bap. Aug. 18, 1781. South Hampton, N. H.

Vol. LIII, Page 336. Samuel Ayres, pub. to Mary Jackson, June 23, 1721.

“ Page 337. Samuel & Mary Ayers appointed guardian to Maria & Nathaniel Fuller, Dec. 28, 1724.

Vol. LIV, Page 61. Inscriptions on tombstones on Long Island, N. Y. Amagansett, 3 miles south of Easthampton. “In memory of Mr. Benjamin Eyres, who died Dec. 5, 1797, Ae 84 years.”

“ Page 209. Easthampton Village. “In memory of Elizabeth, ye wife of Benjamin Ayres, who d Apr. 1st, 1757, in ye 30th year of her age.”

Vol. LV, Page 179. Capt. Nathan Ayer m Mrs. Martha Clark, Feby. 24, 1799, both of Preston, Conn.

“ Page 179. Desire Ayer m Oliver Cary, Jr., Feb. 24, 1802, both of Preston, Conn.

“ Page 348. John Ayer, a History of Tremain Family includes Ayres, in preparation, July, 1900.

“ Page 393. Hannah Ayres m to Samuel Coller, Aug. 23, 1781, both of Needham.

“ Page 393. Sarah Ayers, m to Benj. Rand, Jan. 3, 1782, both of Needham.

“ Page 394. Rebecca Ayers m Moses Garfield, Mar. 2, 1785, both of Needham.

“ Page 395. Eleazer Ayers of Needham m Miss Olive Weatherbee of Dedham, Apr. 13, 1795.

“ Page 397. David Ayres of Needham m Miss Sally Seaverns of Weston, Apr. 9, 1801.

Vol. LVI, Page 31. Nathaniel Aiers of Stoughton m Annie Tolman, (widow) Apr. 20, 1731.

“ Page 32. Aaron Ayers m Rebecca Everett, late of Dedham, at Needham, Jany. 26, 1769.

“ Page 35. Nathaniel Ayers m Sarah Green, at Weymouth, Nov. 26, 1740.

“ Page 39. John Ayres m Mrs. Hannah Dana of Roxbury, (at Needham?) July 5, 1751.

- Vol. LVI, Page 67. Lovice Ayers m Charles O. Whitmore at Boston.
- “ Page 79. Jane Ayers b May 24, 1780, d May 29, 1807, d of David & Jane Ayers, m Elnathan Gorham, July, 1802.
- “ Page 148. Sarah Ayres, d of John Ayres, b Jany. 6, 1761.
- “ Page 207. Ruth (Kingsbury) Ayres, Hannah (Kingsbury) Ayres, Peter Ayres, Samuel Ayer, all mentioned by John Denison of Ipswich in his will, Jany. 18, 1754.
- “ Page 255. Hannah Ayres m Joel Knight, Rockingham, July 3, 1791.
- “ Page 400. Joseph Ayres of Brookfield, who was frozen to death while lumbering in Maine, m Mary B. Traske, Jany. 7, 1753.
- Vol. LVII, Page 27. John, son of Nathaniel D. Ayres & Annie, his wife, bapt. Feby. 27, 1732.
- Page 28. Nathan son of Nathaniel D. Ayres & Annie, his wife, bapt. Feby. 3, 1733.
- “ Page 29. Aaron, son of Nathaniel Ayres, bapt. June 22, 1735.
- “ Page 146. Green, son of Nathaniel Ayres, bapt. Oct. 3, 1742.
- Vol. LVIII, Page 62. Adin Townsend, son of Adin Ayres, and Horatio Nelson, son of Adin Ayres, bap. 1st Ch. of Barrè, June 19, 1814.
- “ Page 229. John Eyre m Ann Sherburne, 1722, of Portsmouth.
- “ Page 294. Thomas and Eleazer Eyre were associated with Cottens of Portsmouth.
- “ Page 298. Thomas Ayres m Ruth Cotten (she was b Gloucester in 1722.)
- Vol. LIX, Page 58. ——— Ayres m Thomas Sherburne, Feby. 3, 1721, Portsmouth.
- “ Phebe Ayres, Feby. 15, 1721, d of Edward Ayres of Portsmouth, m Capt. John Sherburne.

- Vol. LIX, Page 110. Mentions Sammie Ayres & Hannah (Stacy), his wife.
- Vol. LX, Page 40. John Ayers, member of Dorchester Religious Society formed Dec. 25, 1698.
- “ Page 96. Nathaniel Ares crossed ferry, June, 1695.
- “ Page 254. Moses Eayres of Boston m Mary Belcher, widow of Thomas Wyatt, April 29, 1740.
- “ Page 387. Robt. Aires & Henry Aires came to Dorchester from Boston, ———.
- Vol. LXI, Page 79. Desire Ayer m Oliver Crary, Feby. 24, 1802, Groton or Preston, Conn.
- “ Page 215. S. G. Ayres, Madison, N. J., mentioned, 1906.
- Vol. LXII, Page 21. Hiram Ares d at New Braintree, Mass., ae 21.
- “ Page 31. Daniel Ayres' wife, Mary, J. C., d of Resld Pattee, mentioned in will, 1873.
- “ Page 129. Jabez Ayers, d at N. Braintree, Ae 82, Mar. 26, 1847.
- “ Page 134. Aluyrer Ayrs, d at N. Braintree, Ae 68, May 27, 1864.
- “ Page 128. Moses Ayrs, d at N. Braintree, Ae 77, yrs, Feby. 19, 1844.
- “ Page 130. Widow of Moses Ayrs, d at N. Braintree, Ae 87, Oct. 4, 1850.
- “ Page 132. Nobam Ayers' wife d at N. Braintree, Ae 86, June 2, 1857.
- “ Page 133. Naurn Ayers, d at N. Braintree, Ae 58, Aug. 24, 1860.
- “ Page 135. Moses Ayrs, d at N. Braintree, Ae 64, Sept. 7, 1869.
- “ Page 184. Sarah Eyers, d of Sarah Williams, 1680.
- “ Page 184. John Ayer, m Sarah Williams in Haverhill, Mass., May 5, 1646. Children: John b Mar. 18, 1647; Zechariah b Oct. 24,

- 1650; Nathaniel b Mar. 13, 1654; Joseph b Mar. 16, 1658; Sarah b Jany. 17, 1661.
- Vol. LXII, Page 226. William Ayres, carpenter from London on ship, Jenny & Polly. Emigrant from London, Eng., Jany. 24-30, 1774.
- Vol. LXIII, Page. See Report of the Cor. Secy.. Dec. 31, 1908.; "Mary Farwell Ayer, Member."
- " Page 266. Ebenezer Ayres of Newbury m (1710) Dorcas Getchel.
- " Page 293. Ebenezer Ayre, s of Capt. Samuel & Elizabeth (Tuttle) Ayer. He was b at Haverhill, Feby. 18, 1704-5, m March 2, 1726, Susannah, b May 25, 1707, d of Robt. & Sunannah (Atwood) Kimball. He d Mar. 3, 1762. His wife d Sept. 19, 1749.
- " Page 294. Dr. William Ayer (son of Capt. S & Eliz. same as above) b at Haverhill, Feby. 6, 1701-2. Surgeon at Fort, afterwards physician at Haverhill, m Abigail Emerson. He d before 1770.
- " Page 366. Jerusha Ayer d 1777, was third wife of William Parish of Windham, Conn. Children: Jerusha b Aug. 1744, d March 24, 1746, in Windham, Conn.
- Vol. LXIV, Page 100. Ayres, George Otis, retired builder, b Nov. 27, 1838, in West Roxbury, died July 21, 1909, in Jamaica Plain, Mass.
- Vol. LXV, Page 128. Emigrants from England. William Ayre, ae 24, from Lincolnshire, from Port of London, May 8th to 15th, 1775, to Elkridge, Md.
- " Page 191. The Diary of Sarah Connell Ayer, Newburyport and Andover, Mass., 1805-9.
- " Page 303. And Bow., N. H., 1809-11, 1833-35, and Portland, and Eastport, Me., 1811-33, is about to be published by H. W. Bryant, 223 Middle St., Portland. (April 1911.)
- " Page 252. James Bourne Ayer, M. D. — Bio-

graphy of — b Jany. 6, 1849, d May 14, 1910. Married Martha, daughter of Benjamin Bourne. Children: 2 daughters and 2 sons; Mary Farwell Ayer (Mrs. John E. Rensmaniere); Elizabeth Ayer; Nathaniel F. Ayer-James B. Ayer. He m 2nd, Mary E. Farwell, dau. of Nathaniel Whittemore Farwell of Lewiston, Me., Apr. 4, 1877.

Vol. LXV, Page 242. John Air, gentleman, ae 23, came from Port of London to Georgia in ship, Beaufort, enroute and home.

“ Page 311. Phebe Ayers, b Feby. 12, 1772, d Oct. 30, 1854, m James Chadbourne Dame, b Aug. 25, 1772, d Oct. 10, 1859, at Concord. Was a famous school teacher.

“ Page 294. Record from family Bible of Richard G. Ayer of Haverhill, Mass. Births: Richard Ayer was b July 12, 1789. Hitty Head was b Apr. 26, 1795.

Children:

Harriet M. Ayer was born May 16, 1816.
Amos Head Ayer was born March 17, 1818.
Peter Eaton Ayer was born Oct. 30, 1819.
Richard G. Ayer was born July 12, 1821.
Abigail Eaton Ayer was born July 24, 1823.
Elizabeth B. Ayer was born June 3, 1825.
Richard G. Ayer was born Oct. 21, 1828.

Deaths:

Hitty Ayer died Feby. 9, 1871, ae 75.
Richard Ayer died Sept. — 1832, ae 43.

“ Page 295. Amos H. Ayer died April 29, 1879.

Births:

Richard G. Ayer was born Oct. 21, 1828.
Catherine Hall was born April 23, 1835.

Children:

Marantha L. Ayer was born Oct. 24, 1852.
Josie K. Ayer was born Apr. 5, 1865.
Richard G. Ayer was born Dec. 27, 1867,

Marriages:

Richard G. Ayer to Catherine Hall (widow of Thomas Hall), Aug. 27, 1850.

Deaths:

Hitty Ayer died Feb. 9, 1871.

Lizzie B. Ayer, died Feby. 17, 1861.

Richard G. Ayer died Aug. 21, 1891.

Vol. LXVI, Page 44. Susannah Ayers, d of Thomas and Hannah Ayers, of Ipswich, m May 17, 1767, William Scales.

“ Page 305. Isle of Shoals, in the eighteenth century, baptized at New Castle by Rev. Natl. Gookin of Hampton, Aug. 18, 1751, Ruth Ayers.

Vol. LXVII, Page 88. Ayers Bible records belonging to John Ayers of Portsmouth, N. H., whose wife was Mary Henking, (Reg. Vol. 24, page 16.) The names of the children suggest the probability that John Ayers was the son of Edward and Alice Ayers. Her gravestone exists in the Portsmouth “Point of Graves.” The late Mr. Whittier’s paper on Capt. John Ayers of Brookfield, shows reason to suppose the line to have sprung from him.

Mary Ayers b July 10, 1723.

Edward Ayers b (apparently) Nov. 3, 1724, d Nov. 28, 1724.

John Ayers, b Aug. 20, 1725.

Elizabeth Ayers b Aug. 29, 1727, d Aug. 7, 1728.

William Ayers, b Feby. 4, 1729-30, d April, 1730.

Nathaniel b June 1, 1731.

Sarah Ayers b Oct. 16, 1733, d April 12, 1734.

Alles Ayers b Sept. 28, 1735.

The 2nd Edward Ayers b Feby 17, 1736-7.

Hannah Ayers b June 2, 1740.

Philip Ayers b March 26, 1742, d July 30, 1742.

The 2nd Sarah Ayers b Aug. 9, 1743.

Jane Ayers b Mar. 5, 1745.

My dear wife, Mary Ayers, mother of the above children, d July 17, 1754, 50th year of age.

The above Mary Ayers, my Defter, d Nov. 21, 1754.

Mr. Edward Ayers d May 19, 1792.

Jenny Ayers d Sept. 16, 1792, aged 47 years.

Vol. LXIX, Page 169. James Ayres m Sept. 18, 1850, Annis M. Clinton, d of Lyman Clinton and his wife Miranda Stone.

“ Page 36. Charles Washington Ayers, son of James & Deborah (Pettingill) of Boston, m Frances E. Huckins, Sept. 8, 1833. Children: 1. Francis A. b Dec. 10, 1842; 2. Laura b Nov. 14, 1844.

“ Page 37. Martha Elizabeth Huckins m, June 2, 1856, David Ayers, son of David & Sarah. Children: 1. Geo. David b Aug. 26, 1857; 2. Charles Henry b April 3, 1859; 3. Martha J. b Dec. 23, 1860.; 4. Cora E. b Sept. 2, 1863; Chas. Henry m 1st, Jany. 7, 1885, Charlotte E. Carder. m 2nd, Georgette B. Gerald, Nov. 18, 1899.

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From the Parish Registers of Lavenham, Co. Suffolk. These registers have been searched for Eyre, Ayres, Aires, entries from 1558 to 1653, inclusive.

1552. Symond, son of Symon Aires, baptized June 21.

1588. Cecilye Aires and John Butcher married Oct. 4.

1589. Susan, daughter of Symon Aires, buried June 20.

1591. Anna, daughter of Symon Aires, baptized April 23.

1593. John, son of Symon Aires, baptized January 5,
(1593-4)
1596. Joseph, son of Richard Aires, baptized October 10.
1596. Anthonye, son of Symon Aires, baptized October 24.
1598. Richard, son of Richard Aires, baptized November
19.
1599. Thomas Angell, servant with Symon Aires, buried
Dec. 3.
1600. John, son of Richard Aires, baptized October 13.
1603. James, son of Richard Aires, baptized July 3.
1603. John, son of Henry Aires, baptized January 30.
(1603-1604.)
1605. Susan, daughter of Richard Aires, baptized September 15.
1605. Francis, daughter of Henry Aires, baptized February
2. (1605-6.)
1606. Richard, son of Henry Aires, baptized June 15.
1606. Richard, son of Richard Aires, buried June 22.
1608. Anne, daughter of Henry Aires, baptized December
11.
1609. Richard, son of Richard Aires, baptized April 3.
1615. Anthonye, son of Symon Aires, buried March 2.
(1615 6.)
1619. Marie, daughter of Mr. Simond Aiers, baptized June
22.
1621. Gararde, son of Robert Eyre [?] buried April 30.
1627. John Eyres and Dorothy Huske married November
13.
1628. John, son of John Eyres, baptized January 4. (1628-
9).
1629. Francis, daughter of Henry Eyres, buried April 8.
1630. Dorithye, daughter of John Eyres, baptized June 6.
1631. Rychard Ayres and Susan Helke married August 10.
1632. Richard, son of Richard Eires, baptized June 17.
1632. Dorithie, wife of John Eyres, buried November 21.
1633. William Clarke and An Eyres married October 15.
1634. John, son of Richard Eyres, baptized April 6.
1634. John Eyres and Marie Firman married May 1.

- 1636. Thomas, son of Richard Ayres, baptized April 6.
- 1637. John, son of John Ayres, baptized May 6.
- 1637. Susan, the wife of Symon Eyres, baptized Sept. 21.
- 1638. William, son of Richard Ayers, baptized June 10.
- 1639. William, son of Richard Ayres, buried December 4.
- 1639. John, son of John Aires, buried January 20.(1639-40).
- 1639. ———, daughter of John Aires, buried Feby 16. (1639-40).
- 1639. Richard Aires, Senior, buried February 25.(1639-40).
- 1640. Margrette, daughter of Richard Airs, buried June 20.
- 1641. Joan Ayres, widow, buried March 4. (1641-2.)
- 1642. Margaret, daughter of Richard Ayrs, buried April 16.
- 1642. William, son of Richard Ayres, baptized June 19.
- 1642. Sarah, daughter of John Ayers, baptized Feby. 26. (1642-3).
- 1643. Richard, son of Richard Ayers, buried October 31.
- 1644. Mary, daughter of John Ayers baptized Nov. 21.
- 1646. Frances, wife of Henry Ayers, buried August 19.
- 1647. Saray, daughter of John, baptized May 2.
- 1650. Sarah, daughter of John Ayers, buried June 6.
- 1650. Mary, daughter of John Ayer, baptized July 28.

Page 249. From Feet or Fines. (Preserved in the Public Record Office, London. Fifteen days after Easter, II Charles I. 13 April, 1635.) Final Concord in the King's Court at Westminster between Timothy Oldmanes, alias Pricke, and Mary his wife, querents, and Simon Eire, gentleman, and Dorothy, his wife, deforciantes, of two messuages, one stable, two gardens, and one orchard, in Bury St. Edmunds. Plea of covenant. Simon and Dorothy have acknowledged the aforesaid premises to be the right of Timothy, as those which Timothy and Mary have of the gift of Simon and Dorothy, and they have demised and quitclaimed them from Simon and Dorothy and their heirs to Timothy and Mary and their heirs of Timothy forever. And moreover Simon and Dorothy have granted for them-

selves and the heirs of Simon that they will warrant to Timothy and Mary and the heirs of Timothy the afore-said premises against Simon and Dorothy and the heirs of Simon forever. And for this Timothy and Mary gave to Simon and Dorothy £ 80. (Translated from the Latin) [Feet of Fines, Suffolk, II Charles I.]

Because of the lack of wills nothing has been learned about the ancestry of Simon Aires, and his wife Susan Vale, parents of Simon Aires, or Eyre, who emigrated to New England in 1635; but both were probably descended from families of their respective names that had been resident at Lavenham, Co. Suffolk, since the middle ages. The following pedigree, therefore, begins with the father of the emigrant.

(Page 250.)

- I. Simon Aires, of Lavenham, Co. Suffolk, born probably about 1557, died after 1637. He married at Lavenham, Feby. 7, 1582-3, Susan Vale, who was buried at Lavenham, Sept. 21, 1637.

Children baptized at Lavenham.

- I. Susan bapt. Oct. 18, 1585, buried at Lavenham, June 20, 1589.
- II. Simon bapt. June 21, 1588.
- III. Anna bapt. Apr. 23, 1591.
- IV. John bapt. Jany. 5, 1593-4, perhaps the man who m at Lavenham, Nov. 13, 1627, Dorothy Huske, and had children who are recorded there.
- V. Anthony bapt. Oct. 24, 1596, buried at Lavenham, March 2, 1615-6. Simon Aires or Eyre, of Lavenham, and Bury St. Edmunds, Co. Suffolk, and of Watertown, Mass., Surgeon, baptized at Lavenham, June 21, 1588, died in New England in Dec., 1658. He married first, probably about 1616, Dorothy Payne, born about 1598, died in Boston, Mass., Aug. 11, 1650, daughter of William and Agnes (Nves) of Lavenham. (Dorothy Payne was a sister of Elizabeth, wife of William Hammond, of Phebe, wife of John Page, and of William Payne, all of whom were early settlers in New England. For Payne, and Page, entries in the Parish registers of

Lavenham, Co. Suffolk, vide *infra*, pp 251-252. The surname "Nves" is probably an incorrect spelling of Neves, or Neve.) At some time after the birth of their first child they removed from Lavenham, probably to Bury St. Edmunds, where on April 13, 1635. They sold two houses, a stable, two gardens, and an orchard. Two days later, with their eight children, they sailed for New England in the ship "Increase," and settled, on their arrival, in Massachusetts, at Watertown. Simon Eyre married secondly about 1651, Martha (Hubbard) Whittingham, born in England about 1612, died July 13, 1687, daughter of William, and widow of John. He was freeman April 17, 1637; representative in 1641; selectman 1636-43; and Town Clerk in 1641-5. He was admitted to the church, April 17, 1647, and soon afterwards he removed to Boston. In his will, dated July 5, 1658, an abstract of which is given in the Register, Vol. IX, pp 39-40, he mentions wife Martha, and children Thomas, Dorothy, John and Maria, and states that the rest of his children have had their portions. The other daughters therefore were probably married before this will was made, as we know to be the case with Anna.

Children by first wife.

- I. Marie, bapt., at Lavenham, June 22, 1619, came to Watertown with her parents. m Richard Mosely; mentioned in the will of her uncle, William Payne, in 1660.
- II. Thomas, born in England about 1621; died in Virginia in 1666; came to New England with his parents and was living at Watertown in 1644; mentioned as eldest son in his father's will in 1658.
- III. Simon, born in England about 1623; came to Watertown with his parents; married about 1651, Lydia Starr, who died in Boston, Aug. 10, 1653, daughter of Comfort of Ashford, Co. Kent, and of Cambridge, Mass., died a few days before his wife. Child, Simon, b Aug. 6, 1652, died 1695; mentioned

in the will of his great uncle, William Payne, in 1660. Settled at New Haven; married July 22, 1679, Elizabeth (Allerton) Starr, daughter of Isaac 2nd, and widow of Benjamin, had issue.

- IV. Rebecca, born in England about 1625; came with her parents to New England; mentioned in the will of her uncle, William Payne, in 1660.
- V. Christian, born in England about 1627; came with her parents to New England; mentioned in the will of her uncle, William Payne, in 1660.
- VI. Anna, born in England about 1629; came to New England with her parents; mentioned in the will of her uncle, William Payne, in 1660; m in Boston March 5, 1651-2, John Clickley of Preston Capes, Co. Northampton, and Boston, Mass., who d Jany. 1, 1684-5, aged 75, his wife surviving him. They lived at Charlestown and Boston, and had issue.
- VII. Benjamin, born in England about 1631, came to New England with his parents; mentioned in the will of his uncle, William Payne, in 1660.
- VIII. Sarah, born in England in Jany., 1634-5; came to New England with her parents; probably died young.
- IX. Jonathan, born at Watertown, March 20, 1637-8; educated for a surgeon in 1656; no further record of him.
- X. Dorothy, born at Watertown, June 4, 1640; mentioned in the will of her father in 1658, and in that of her uncle. William Payne, in 1660.

Children by second wife.

- XI. Maria, born March 26, 1652, mentioned in her father's will.
- XII. John, b Feby. 19, 1653-4, died in Boston, June, 1700; married May 20, 1680, Catherine Brattle, born in Boston, Sept. 26, 1664, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Tyng) of Boston. She married, 2nd, in Boston, Nov. 13, 1707, Chief Justice Wait Still Winthrop, son of John, and grandson of Gov. John, and died Aug. 2, 1725. John Eyre was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1682; of

the Committee of Safety in 1689; and Representative in 1693 and 1698.

Children born in Boston.

- I. John, b Mar. 27, 1682, died in Boston, Dec. 1, 1696.
- II. Thomas, b June 21, 1687, m in Boston, Feby. 12, 1715-6, Deborah Shelston, had issue.
- III. Martha, b Jany. 28, 1688-9.
- IV. Catharine, b July 20, 1694.
- V. Bethia, b July 24, 1695.
- VI. Mary, b Sept. 15, 1697.
- VII. John, b Jany. 17, 1698-9, probably died young.
- VIII. John, b Aug. 7, 1700, (A. B., Harvard College, 1718.)
Signed, Elizabeth French.

New York Genealogical Record, Yale College Library.

Vol. XXIII, Page 152. Weddings at St. Mary, White Chapel, London, 1615 to 1625.

“ Page 153. Joane Ayres, Aug. 11, 1625.

Vol. XXIV, Page 62. Julia S. Ayer, May 17, 1859, at Franklin, N. Y., m Brenk Ver Planck, b Dec. 23, 1818, d Nov. 12, 1862. Only child was Frederick Ayer b Feby. 9, 1860, at Brooklyn, N. Y.

“ Page 64. Frederick Ayer Ver Planck, m at Lebanon, Conn., Aug. 27, 1890, Annie Noyes.

“ Page 191. Elizabeth Eyres, m Nathaniel Downing, Jr., July 23, 1736, E. Hampton, L. I.

“ Page 193. Benjamin Eyres, Jr., m Elizabeth Osborn, Oct. 17, 1740, E. Hampton, L. I.

Vol. VIII, Page 75. Elizabeth, dau. of Robert Ayres & Anne Jackson, his wife, b Sept. 22, 1764. Record, 1st Presbyterian Ch., City of N. Y.

Bouton's History of Concord, N. H. (Conn. Hist. Soc.)

Page 589. Capt. Richard Ayer, died in this town Saty., Dec. 17, 1831, in the 75th year of his age. He was born

May 12, 1757, at Haverhill, N. H., where his ancestors from the early settlement of the town had resided. He came to this town in 1777, having the same year m Miss Susan Sargent, grand-daughter of Rev. Cristopher Sargent of Methuen.

Page 630. The Ayer family. This branch of this family that settled in Concord is reckoned from :

1. Robert of Haverhill.
2. Samuel (s of Robert) who was killed by the Indians, Aug. 29, 1708, was the father of 3 Obadiah, and 3 John; who were originally proprietors; 3 James (son of 2 Samuel) was father of 4 Samuel, another proprietor. (Page 133. Obadiah, Samuel and John Ayers were from Haverhill. Obadiah was a graduate of Harvard College, 1710, was employed to examine the General Court's Records, to see if there be any former grant of the township, was one of the principal inhabitants of Haverhill, Samuel and John were of the same family, young men, and were among the most active and enterprising settlers, [see family Register.] They were all descendants of John, who was of Salisbury, 1640, of Ipswich, 1648, and at Haverhill, 1657.) These proprietors had complied with the conditions of the settlement in 1731, (Page 128. Samuel Ayer, Obadiah, & John had house framed and inhabited in Oct., 1731.) but it does not appear that they finally settled here. They were not in any garrison in 1746. We have no account that Obadiah ever married. He was a graduate of Harvard College; studied for the ministry; a man of talents and influence, but subject, occasionally, to aberrations of mind, at which times he had lodgings in Boston provided for him by his particular friend, John Hancock.
3. John, who was doubtless here in the earliest period of the settlement, m Mary Johnson of Haverhill. Their children born in Haverhill were Abigail, who d unmarried; Timothy, who m Elizabeth White and lived in Bedford, Vt.; and John, who lived in Bradford, Mass.
4. Samuel Ayer, son of 3 James, m Ann Hazen and lived

in Haverhill, Mass. Their children, (5th generation from Robert) all b in Haverhill, were, Mary b Dec. 23, (O S) 1738, m Samuel Morrison of Sanborton, d April, 1782; Anna b Sept. 22, (O S) m Deacon John Kimball (see Kimball family); Samuel b Nov. 29, 1742, m Sarah Chase of Haverhill, d Apr. 6, 1811; Elizabeth (1) and Elizabeth (2) died young; Elizabeth (3) b June 22, 1748, m Jacob Ela of Haverhill, d May 18, 1794; Hannah b Aug. 25, 1751, m John Bradley of Concord, d Aug. 15, 1817, (see Bradley family); Ruth b Dec. 4, 1753, m Dr. Peter Green of Concord, d April, 1823 (see Green family and Town Records); Lydia b Dec., 1755, d y.; 5. Richard b May 12, 1757, m Susannah Sargent; James b Jany. 1, 1761, m Mary, d of Dr. James Brickett.

Page 631. 5. Richard Ayer, (see biography, page 1, of this memo.) who appears to have been the first permanent settler and resident in Concord of the name, m Susannah Sargent of Methuen. Their children born in Concord were eleven, viz:

1. Richard Hazen b Jany. 12, 1778, d in Manchester, Feb. 5, 1853, ae 75. He was prominent and influential. He left a legacy of \$7000. to the Unitarian Society of Manchester, of which he was a member. His wife, who survived him, was the dau. of Col. Peter Green of Concord. His children were only two, both daughters. Susan R., was the wife of Dr. Enoch B. Barnes; and the other, Mary G., m Dr. Amos Gale of Manchester.
2. Samuel, b Feby. 22, 1780, d Jany. 3, 1785.
3. Moses, b April 28, 1782, d Dec., 1813.
4. James, b June 15, 1784.
5. Samuel, b Aug. 31, 1786, (see graduates,) d at Eastport, Me., leaving three children, Sarah C., Samuel H., d., and Harriet O., d.
6. Susannah, b Feby. 24, 1789, m Isaac Hill (See Biography.) Their children were four; William P., John M., Isaac Andrew, and a daughter, Georgianna T., who d Sept. 16, 1825, ae 11 months.
7. John J., b May 27, 1791, m Harriet Fox of Jaffrey, d

- in Concord, Aug. 14, 1837. Their children were two; Richard Hazen, and Harriet F.
8. Anna, or Nancy H., b Sept. 24, 1793, m Levi Brigham of Boston, d June 7, 1835, (See page 433) leaving two children; Levi, and Ann S.
 9. Elizabeth, b March 14, 1796, m Richard Bradley. (See Bradley family.)
 10. Mary, m Isaac F. Williams. Their children were Mary, Elizabeth, Susan Ayer, Georgianna Hill, and Annette.
 11. Charlotte, m Washington Williams. Their children were three; Charlotte, Marianna, d., and Josephine.

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Page 121. Perley Ayer was b in Piermont in 1798, came to H. in early youth. He was for many years the owner of what is now the county farm. He moved to the Corner in 1850. He m Mary E. Worthen. A son, Phineas, grad. from Dartmouth Col. in 1852. A grandson, Perley, is living with his aunt, Miss Eliza Ayer, on the homestead, 1888.

Genealogy of New Hampshire, Stearns.

In New Haven Historical Society, Page 152.

AYER. The records of Essex County, Mass., have frequent mention of this name under very many forms, such as Aars, Aers, Aier, Aiere, Aiers, Air, Aires, Airs, Ares, Aries, Ayeres, AYERS, Ayhaire, Ayre, AYRES, Eaire, Eairs, Eares, Eayer, Eayr, Eayre, Eires, Eyer, Eyers, Eyre, Eys, Heires.

- I. The Ancestor of most of the name in New England, and the earliest one who lived in Essex County, was John Ayer. It is supposed that he came from England, and he was living in Salisbury, Mass., as early as 1640. He removed to Ipswich in 1646, and in the next year to Haverhill, and died there, March 31, 1657. His will was made March 12, 1657, and probated Oct. 6, following. He was survived by his wife, Hannah, the mother of his children, who died Oct. 8,

1688, having been a widow for more than thirty years. Their children were: John, Rebecca, Robert, Thomas, Peter, Mary, Obadiah, Nathaniel, and Hannah. The eldest received the homestead by will.

II. Cornet Peter, fourth son and fifth child of John and Hannah Ayer, was born about 1633, perhaps in England, and was made a freeman in Haverhill in May, 1666. He was a farmer in that town, which he represented in the general court in 1683-1685 and 1689-90; and otherwise active in town affairs, and in the Indian Wars. He was married Nov. 1, 1659, to Hannah Allen, who was born June, 1742, in Salisbury, daughter of William and Hannah (Goodale) Allen. She survived him nearly thirty one years, dying his widow, Dec. 22, 1729, at the age of eighty seven years. He died in Boston in Jany., 1689. Their children, all born in Haverhill, were Ruth, Hannah, Abigail, Mary, Martha, Samuel, William, Rachel, and Ebenezer.

III. Captain Samuel, eldest son and sixth child; of Cornet Peter, and Hannah (Allen) Ayer, was born Sept. 28, 1669, in Haverhill, in which town he lived and was a yeoman. He was a man of property and among his possessions was a negro slave, named Lot. He succeeded his father as a member of the committee for the control of the common lands of the town. His efficient leadership in the Indian wars did much to prevent savage outrages. He died Jany. 2, 1744. He was married, Nov. 21, 1693, to Elizabeth Tuttle of Ipswich, who survived him nearly nine years, and died Nov. 20, 1752. Their children were Hannah, Peter, Samuel, William, Ebenezer, Elizabeth, Simon, and Sarah. (Mention of Simon and descendants appear in this article).

IV. Lieut. Ebenezer, fourth son of Capt. Samuel and Elizabeth (Tuttle) Ayer, was born Feby. 18, 1705, in Haverhill, and settled in Methuen, Mass. Upon the establishment of the Province line in 1741, his home-

stead became a part of Salem, N. H. The following inscription is found on his tombstone in that town: "Here lies the body of Lieutenant Ebenezer Ayer. He departed this life March 3, 1763, aged 57 years." He was married, March 29, 1726, to Susanna, daughter of Robert and Susanna (Atwood) Kimball of Bradford, Mass. She was born May 25, 1707, and died Sept. 26, 1749, having been the mother of ten children, five of whom died young. By a second wife, Elizabeth, Lieut. Ayer had five children. His widow died Jan. 2, 1786, aged seventy one years. The five surviving children of his first wife, and the five of the second wife in order of age were Ebenezer, Peter, Timothy, Joseph, Isaiah, William, Elizabeth, Samuel, Philip, John.

V. Major Ebenezer, eldest son of Lieut. Ebenezer and Susanna (Kimball) Ayer, was born March 22, 1727, in that part of Methuen which is now Salem. He settled in Pepperill borough, now Saco, Me. In early life he was one of Capt. John Lovewell's men in the memorable Indian fight at Pequaket, and was engaged in other expeditions. He was in the ill fated excursion of Benedict Arnold through the wilds of Maine in the winter of 1775-1776. After the Revolution he did not return to Saco. He was married July 4, 1754, to Hannah (Plaisted) Scammon, widow of James Scammon. They were undoubtedly the parents of the next mentioned.

VI. Moses Ayer was born March 17, 1757, in Saco, Me., and was an active resident of that town. By his wife, Mary (Tyler), born Aug. 10, 1759, he had the following named children, born in Saco, Me.: Elizabeth, John, Sarah, Hannah, Abigail, Andrew, Moses, Tristram, whose sketch follows: Tristram, eighth child of Moses and Mary (Tyler) Ayer, was born in Saco, Me., Feby. 19, 1799, and died Dec. 21, 1851, in Buxton, Me. He was married Aug. 20, 1820, to Frances Moses of Buxton, who was born Jan. 24, 1801, and died

June 13, 1870, in Buxton. They had children named as follows; Mary A., William, Sarah E., John L., Maria G., Lyman G., Francis J., and Charles H.

- VII. John Lyman, fourth child and second son of Tristram and Frances Ayer, was born June 17, 1829, and died Feby., 1903, at Plymouth Mass. He was a paper maker and millwright by trade and was employed in a paper factory at Welles River, Vt. Later he worked in a saw mill, and at the lumber business in Haverhill, Mass., and vicinity. In 1890, he returned to Wells River and worked ten years for the Adams Paper Co. This concluded the active period of his life and he afterward lived retired at Plymouth, Mass. He married in Haverhill, N. H., Melissa Pike, and they were the parents of sons, John T., and Charles J.
- VIII. Charles James, son of John L. and Melissa (Pike) Ayer, was born in Haverhill, N. H., Nov. 24, 1858. Was alive in 1908.
- IV. Simon, son and seventh child of Capt. Samuel and Elizabeth (Tuttle) Ayer, was born Dec. 26, 1709, in Haverhill. Was a farmer. He married, Dec. 20, 1733, Mary Webster, who survived him eight years, and died Jany, 24, 1782. He died Jany. 1, 1774. Their children were Samuel (d y.,) Simon, Elizabeth, and Mary (both d y.,) Simon, Stephen, Moses, Elizabeth, Mary, William, Abigail. (Mention of Moses and his descendants forms part of this article.)
- V. Stephen, fourth son of Simon and Mary (Webster) Ayer, b Dec. 4, 1744, was tanner by trade. m Sarah Gray, April 18, 1769, who was b Mar. 13, 1740. They had seven children: Thomas, Nauna, Elizabeth, Daniel, Polly, Hepzibah, Sarah, and Susannah.
- VI. Susanna, youngest child of Stephen and Sarah (Gray) Ayer, b Jany. 1, 1781, m Jonathan Clifford. (See Clifford VII.) Chase's History of Haverhill Mass.; says that in 1700 one-third of the inhabitants of that town bore the name of Ayer.
- I. Thomas Ayer b at Gilford, N. H., m Sally Gale of

Gilmanton, had 4 children: Sarah, Thomas P., Joseph, and Stephen S.

II. Stephen Smith, son of Thomas & Sally (Gale) Ayer, b 1828, d Oct. 21, 1899, m Mary Elizabeth Rowell, b 1827, d May 28, 1906. Had 4 children: Ardall, Claribel, George, and James.

III. George, third son of Stephen Smith and Mary Elizabeth (Rowell) Ayer, b Oct. 19, 1864, unmarried and alive, 1908.

Page 154. AYERS. Ayres, Ayers, Ayars, Ayer, Ayre, Eayers, Eyer, Eyre, etc., are some of the forms of this ancient name dating back to the eleventh century. Among the theories of its origin is the following legend: When at the battle of Hastings, 1066, William the Conqueror was flung from his horse, and his helmet beaten into his face he was rescued and mounted by a faithful follower named "Trulove." "Thou shalt no longer be called Trulove," said the Duke, "but Eyre or Air for thou hast given me the eire I breathe." Trulove was given lands in Derbyshire, a Coat of Arms displaying leg and thigh in armor cut off, and an honorary badge still worn by all the Eyres in England. What representative of the name first brought it to New England it is difficult to determine, but it is probable that the determination to hazard the future in the great New West came to several at about the same time.

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